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Landon Gains In Second Poll Of National Straw Balloting In Returns From 41 States

By JOHN THOMAS WILSON

NEW YORK CITY, Sept. 2.—Nearly a quarter of a million ballots (211,247) had been tabulated here, state by state, at the end of the second week in the nation-wide Presidential poll which is being conducted by smaller town daily and weekly newspapers throughout the country.

These votes, from 41 states, are divided between the six Presidential candidates as follows:

Landon	126,786—60%
Roosevelt	69,886—33.1%
Lemke	10,189—04.8%
Thomas	1,930—00.9%
Browder	1,697—00.8%
Colvin	759—00.4%
Total	211,247

The vote to date, 41 states, as between Roosevelt and Landon only—total vote of 196,672 ballots:

Landon	126,786—64.5%
Roosevelt	69,886—35.5%

The vote to date, 41 states, as between Landon, Roosevelt and Lemke only,—total vote of 206,801 ballots:

Landon	126,786—61.2%
Roosevelt	69,886—33.8%
Lemke	10,189—05.0%

Of the 41 states from which ballots have been received, in five of them the returns were so scatter-

Landon—54.5 per cent last week; 64.5 per cent this week.

Roosevelt—45.5 per cent last week; 35.5 per cent this week.

The state by state tabulation of this Presidential poll shows many "hot spots" for the different candidates at this time, but they are "hot spots" which may be ironed out by the opposition as additional ballots from the readers of other newspapers in those states arrive at National Straw-Vote Headquarters here for tabulation.

The Publishers Autocaster Service Company here, which serves hundreds of the newspapers conducting this poll, is serving as national straw-vote headquarters to tabulate the national vote. It has served in the same capacity in previous national polls since 1924.

Have You Voted Yet?

The Clipper is cooperating in this nation-wide poll and offers its readers the opportunity to cast a ballot for their Presidential choice for the next four years. It is an opportunity for all voters here to show their fellow voters in other states who we here in Elba and Alabama intend to vote for at the national election polls in November.

All legal voters are invited to

ed and so few in number that while they are not considered indicative by those in charge of the tabulation. Those five states are Mississippi, Nevada, Oregon, Vermont and Arkansas. The other 36 states are divided as follows:

Landon	26 states
Roosevelt	9 states
Tied—Nebraska	1 state

Of the 36 states, Landon is leading in the following at this time: Arkansas, California, Colorado, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, Washington, West Virginia, and Wisconsin.

The nine states in which Roosevelt leads at this time are Alabama, Connecticut, Florida, Idaho, Michigan, Montana, North Carolina, Texas and Utah.

Sharp Landon Increase

In presenting these totals, at the end of the second week of state by state tabulations, there is recorded the sharpest variation in leading candidate gain ever recorded in similar nation-wide balloting. Last week's tabulation, state by state, was 74,703 votes; this week, 137,544 votes, for a total of 211,247 votes.

The Landon percentage lead was increased as follows:

clip the Presidential Straw-Vote Ballot which will be found on page 3 of this issue of The Clipper; to vote it as they wish, then mail or bring the ballot to The Clipper office. The local vote in this Presidential balloting will be tabulated and announced next week, then sent on to New York, to national straw-vote headquarters, for national, state by state tabulation. Only a small number of ballots have been turned in so far, but we will tabulate them Monday anyway. Get your ballot to us this week.

Hundreds of daily and weekly newspapers, located in states throughout the nation, are participating in this poll and the final results should furnish some most interesting figures for speculation and at the same time show the political sentiment in small towns and rural America during these early weeks of the Presidential campaign.

In casting a ballot in this nation-wide Presidential poll, the voters are under no obligation to sign their names. The space on the ballot for the name of the town and the state from which the voter expects to vote in November, is placed there to assist in an accurate tabulation of the national vote. Voters may be sure that their ballot is properly tabulated if they will assist by writing in the name of the town and state where they expect to vote in November.

Turn now to page 3. Clip out the ballot; vote it for your favorite candidate. Then mail or send it to this newspaper's office.

COFFEE BAPTISTS WILL MEET THIS YEAR WITH COOL SPRGS.

The 28th Annual Session of the Coffee County Baptist Association will convene with Cool Springs Baptist Church, six miles south of Enterprise, on Wednesday, September 30, and Thursday, October 1.

The program of the two-day session will include the following: Introductory sermon; report on orphans home, Mrs. E. C. Brooks; report on Christian Stewardship, Mrs. G. W. Clark; report on Co-operative Program and One Hundred Thousand Club, Judge J. A. Carnley; report on W. M. U., Mrs. Clem Johnson; Christian Education, W. T. Whitman; Aged and Infirm Ministers, Rev. M. L. Carnley; Deacons and Brotherhood, G. W. Carlisle; Denominational Literature, D. D. Mitchell; B.Y.P.U., Alvin Martin; State Missions, R. S. Martin; Home Missions, Jack Harrell; Foreign Missions, M. L. Tillman.

The missionary sermon will be preached by Rev. W. M. Bush.

The report on deceased ministers, deacons and members will be given by Rev. B. P. Lowery.

Report on Sunday Schools by President of the Association.

Report on Temperance by Dr. W. D. Ogden.

History of Cool Springs Church, G. W. Carlisle.

Rev. B. S. Franklin of Elba is president of the association; A. V. Martin of Enterprise R.F.D., clerk; Judge J. A. Carnley, Elba, chairman of the Association Council.

There are 35 churches included in the association, with a total membership of 6,025. They are Basin, Bethany, Bethlehem, Bluff Springs, Calvary, Clintonville, Cool Springs, Countyline, Damascus, Dorcas, Elba, Enon, Enterprise, Friendship, Goodman, Gum Springs, Hebron, Inc. Kinston, Mt. Gilead, Mt. Olive, Mt. Pleasant, Mt. Zion, New Brockton, New Ebenezer, New Haven, New Home, New Hope, Salem, Shiloh, Union Grove, White Water, Woodland Grove, Zion Chapel, Newbula.

MRS. SIMPSON HONORED AT SATURDAY TEA—

Mrs. R. C. Bryan delightfully entertained at a lovely tea in her home on Davis Street Saturday afternoon, August 29th, from five to six, honoring Mrs. W. G. Simpson of Thomson, Ga., guest of Mrs. R. S. Boyd.

The rooms used in entertaining were thrown together and attractively decorated with baskets of marigold, zinnias and golden glow to carry out a color scheme of yellow and green.

The guests were requested to bring needle and thimble, and on arrival were given a tea towel to hem, in an enjoyable sewing contest, with prize being awarded for first to finish. All sewed so eagerly that each was given the towel she hemmed. Mrs. Simpson, the honor guest, was winner in the contest.

Mrs. Bryan, assisted by Mrs. R. S. Boyd, served a delicious salad plate with punch to the following guests: Mrs. W. G. Simpson, Mrs. D. J. Brooks, Mrs. J. H. Armor, Mrs. Willie Michel, Mrs. W. J. Hughes, Mrs. L. S. Rainer, Mrs. F. H. Murphree and Mrs. W. M. Ringsdorf.

TRUCK FLARE LAW GOES INTO EFFECT

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Sept. 1.—Regulations of the Alabama highway patrol, that trucks, buses and other commercial vehicles use flags and flares as warning signals when halted on highways, were in effect Tuesday.

Captain Potter Smith said rigid enforcement of the order would be carried out by motor scouts and urged transportation companies to secure necessary equipment. Under the order red flags and flares should be displayed 300 feet, front and rear, whenever a vehicle is stopped on a roadway.

"This law is for the protection of both commercial driver and motorist," Captain Smith said. "If the driver sets up his signals he is protected against civil and criminal prosecution."

FIRST GINNING REPORT SHOWS VERY LATE CROP

The first official ginning report made by Jesse L. Hildreth, special agent for the census bureau, shows that the 1936 cotton crop is moving very slowly as compared with the 1935 crop.

The report shows that there were 415 bales ginned in the county prior to August 16, 1936, as compared with 2,539 bales ginned to the same date last year. The report was released last Wednesday by the Department.

Mrs. C. H. Cole has returned to her home in Opp after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamm.

Miss Nettye Flournoy returned Sunday from a pleasant visit to Dallas and other points in Texas. She will leave today for Bay Minette, where she will teach the coming year.

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KINSTON SCHOOLS WILL OPEN SEPTEMBER 14 WITH A STRONG FACULTY AND ADDED COURSES

Monday, September 14, has been set as the opening date for the Kinston Schools, with the formal exercises beginning at 9:00 a.m. The school has a strong faculty for the year and announces a number of new courses for high school students. Mr. H. B. Larkins, principal, has issued the following statement about the opening:

To the Patrons of Kinston Schools—

The Kinston Schools will open September 14, at 9 o'clock, going through the entire schedule with shortened periods the first day.

At a meeting of the Board of Trustees, an incidental fee of $3.00 per semester was set. Due to the heavy opening expenses and the cut in appropriations to schools, all fees are payable on entrance. In order to explain the condition of our school and the prospect for another year, we urge every patron to be present at the opening exercises. We are anticipating the hearty cooperation upon the part of the parents as heretofore.

The school is offering another year several new courses from which the student may choose his course.

For the Elementary School, books will be furnished for the first and second grades.

The faculty for the next year will be as follows:

Mr. J. M. Rash, Chilhowie, Va., graduate of Carson Newman—Mathematics and Science.

Mr. E. C. Nevin, Moundville, Ala., graduate of University of Alabama—History.

Mr. G. W. Hause, Mercer, Pa., graduate of Centenary College—Coach and Social Sciences.

Miss Lola Mae Jones, Enterprise, graduate of Howard College—English.

Mrs. J. M. Rash, Chilhowie, Va., graduate of Carson Newman and Emory University—Home Economics and General Science.

Elementary School

Mr. R. L. Farris, Elba—Principal and Sixth Grade.

Miss Gladys Price, Elba—Fifth Grade.

Mrs. H. R. Larkins, Kinston—Fourth Grade.

Miss Ruth Zigler, Ariton—Third Grade.

Miss Margaret Ham.. Elba—Second Grade.

Miss Elmela Meteaif, Enterprise—First Grade.

Special Teacher

Miss Lucile Atkison, Opp—Music.

Respectfully,
H. B. LARKINS,
Principal.

About People and Things

By C. B. McDowell

ELBA SCHOOLS—On account of the incomplete condition of the repairs that are being made at the Elba High School building, Elba schools will not start on the first Monday in September, as has been the custom for several years past, but will open one week later, Monday, September 14. Registration for High School students will be held on September 10th and 11th, which will save considerable time at the opening of school. Registration for Elementary pupils will be held September 11th. Busses will make their regular school-ued trips on September 11th. Superintendent Jas. C. Dixon announces that High School students who register and pay their fees first will be given preference in those classes that are limited in number. With the newly inaugurated courses in vocational training, it is expected that there will be a considerable increase in enrollment over former years.

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CONGRESSMAN HILL—It is announced that Congressman Lister Hill of Montgomery will deliver an address at the chapel exercises at the opening of Elba schools Monday morning, September 14, at 10 o'clock. Congressman Hill is an eloquent speaker and a cordial invitation is extended to everybody to come out and hear him. All class work will start on Monday, September 14, following chapel exercises.

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FOOTBALL PRACTICE—Coach Phil Crigler arrived in Elba Monday and immediately began making preparations for starting football practice at Elba High School. The delightfully cool weather which was such a welcome visitor Monday morning has helped wonderfully in putting football spirit into the prospective squad members. While graduations last Spring made deep inroads into last year's team, prospects are quite bright for promising raw material from which to build a formidable grid machine for 1936. Coach Crigler will have the advantage this Spring of having a nucleus of experienced players left over from last year's team, whereas last Fall he had to build from the ground up. The record made by the team under his coaching last year was little short of phenomenal.

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ORPHANAGE—Each fifth Sunday is observed as Orphan's Day by Alabama Methodist Sunday Schools, the collections going to the support of the Church's orphanage at Selma. The collection at the Elba Methodist Sunday School amounted to over $25. Members of the Elba Business Men's Evangelistic Club conducted Orphanage programs at Elba School House: Sunday morning and at Liberty Methodist Church in the afternoon. Interesting programs were given at both places. Pledges were made to give the proceeds of a day's work by a number of those present, which is expected to materially increase the amounts to be contributed to the orphanage.

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FEELING FINE—Rev. B. S. Franklin takes serious issue with the statement made in this column

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LIBRARY TO OPEN SOON; MANY NEW BOOKS ADDED

A group of women in Elba have made the dream of a public library in our city come true.

A beginning was made last September, when a few books were offered to the public for a small fee. Interest in the movement has increased as the months passed and it was learned that good reading matter could be secured in the small but growing library.

In response to an appeal from those who were interested, the Commercial Club donated cash for the books, and the Mayor generously offered a place in the City Hall to be used as a library and reading room. The books will soon be moved to this convenient location and library days and hours announced.

Some popular books now available are: "Beyond Sing the Woods," "The Cross of Peace," "England Speaks," "The Way of a Transgressor," "Dark Island," "Ma Cinderella," "Life With Father." Others recently purchased, are: "Gone With the Wind," "Sparkenbroke," "Man, the Unknown," and "The Lost Purtan."

Library tickets, entitling the holder to read any or all books in the library, may be purchased for one dollar, or a book may be kept for a week for ten cents.

ATMORE STATE FARM PROVING TO BE VALUABLE ASSET

Mississippi for many years has demonstrated how to successfully operate a farm and make money. The Parchman plantation in Sunflower County, where several thousand convicts are employed, shows nice profits from year to year.

The statement for the agricultural year now ending shows that Alabama's State farm at Atmore is also performing an excellent service in supplying the State's foodstuffs and cotton cloth and other necessities for 6,00 prisoners in Kilby and other State prisons.

There are 8,400 acres in the Atmore farm and more than 1,000 working convicts are engaged in running it.

More than 6,520 acres are in cultivation, while cattle pastured on the remaining acres wait their turn to be butchered and shipped out to the State's five prisons and 11 road camps.

Here is located the largest canning plant in Alabama, a modern factory that turns out thousands upon thousands of cans of meats, vegetables and fruits for prison consumption in winter months.

The prison operates a syrup factory to process the harvest from 125 acres of sugar cane and 75 acres of sorghum.

It even has its own railroad, a four-mile track inside the prison's boundaries, fully equipped with locomotive and cars.

On 600 acres of lowlands, the convicts raise all of the rice served in State prisons.

The pasture lands provide feed for the prison's 300 head of cattle, while the livestock yards contain 400 head of hogs.

The farmlands contain—in season—2,200 acres of corn, 900 acres of cotton, 600 acres of rice, 100 acres of peanuts, 300 acres of oats, 300 acres of hay, 150 acres in gardens, 75 acres in peaches, 10 acres in dewberries, 40 acres in strawberries, 700 acres in Irish potatoes, 200 acres in radishes, 125 acres in sugar cane, and 75 acres in sorghum.

The convicts at Atmore are selected largely for their farming ability when they go through the prison "clearing house" at Kilby prison for classification.—The Selma Times-Journal.

ALABAMA NEWSPAPERS SERVING FARM PEOPLE

AUBURN, Ala.—Alabama newspapers—both weeklies and dailies —are doing an outstanding job of keeping their readers informed on agricultural conditions and farming activities in their county, state and nation.

It has been determined also that the farm stories being sent to Alabama newspapers from Auburn are outstanding in the Nation. The Alabama farm stories to weeklies the past year won the blue ribbon at the annual meeting of American Agricultural College Editors in Madison, Wisconsin, August 18-20. Thirty-eight states were represented at the annual convention.

REVIVAL MEETING TO BE HELD AT ZOAR CHURCH

A revival meeting will be held at Zoar Methodist Church beginning Friday night, September 4. Rev. J. R. Gilbert of Opp will do the preaching.

Everybody is invited to attend all these services. Rev. J. W. Marley is pastor of the church.

Charles Hayes spent Sunday in Montgomery.

Miss Ruth Owen has returned from Montgomery, where she spent some time with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Jacobs.

Mrs. W. P. Boyd and Miss Malissa Irwing spent last Thursday and Friday in Montgomery at the bedside of Miss Alice Boyd.

Elba Schools Will Open On Monday, Sept. 14; Students To Register Sept. 10 and 11

FIRST NAT'L BANK RECEIVES WILL PAY SMALL DIVIDEND

A dividend of 12.6 per cent will be paid to creditors of the First National Bank of Elba, which has been in process of liquidation since the Fall of 1931, according to Thos. A. Dixon, receiver of the institution. The statement says that those sharing in the distribution are the creditors who filed claims against the bank and also the depositors.

This is the first dividend to be paid and will also be the only one. While we were not given the figures, it is reported that approximately $40,000.00 will be distributed. Mr. Dixon announced that he will be in Elba on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, September 3, 4 and 5, for the purpose of handing out the dividend checks.

ELBA STUDY CLUB TO HAVE FIRST MEETING TODAY—

The Elba Study Club will have its first meeting of the club year this afternoon (Thursday) at three o'clock at the home of the president, Mrs. J. M. Rowe. Miss Zadie Rowe will be joint hostess. All members of the club are urged to be present promptly at three o'clock for this important meeting.

CHILD RIDS HIMSELF OF OPEN SAFETY PIN

TUSCALOOSA, Ala., Aug. 29.—Nature has solved the case of 20-months-old Jimmy Legrone, who swallowed an open safety pin 14 days ago. An X-ray examination showed that the child had completely passed the pin that threatened his life and caused physicians to contemplate a major operation to remove the object.

The child today is entirely free of the pin and apparently little the worse for his experience, the examining physician said. A slight temperature was the only lingering evidence of his encounter. The child, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Legronne, who live 13 miles from Tuscaloosa, swallowed the medium size pin on August 14, while being dressed by his mother.

DAIRY PRODUCTS PRICES EXPECTED TO BE HIGHER

AUBURN, Ala.—"Keep dairy heifers growing," advises F. W. Burns, extension dairyman, in reporting that the demand for dairy products has improved and further improvement is in prospect.

Prices of dairy products will probably average higher during the next 12 months than a year earlier and the highest in about six years, he states.

"With this situation confronting us the demand for well-bred, well-developed heifers is increasing rapidly. Regardless of how well-bred the heifers are, they must be kept growing to reach full size and to produce to their utmost when they become cows. An increase now of 100 pounds in the weight of dairy heifers, with greater feeding capacity, means 1,000 pounds more milk later when they become cows.

"When pastures begin to get short the heifers should be given all the legume hay they will clean up and enough grass to promote rapid growth. A grain mixture of equal parts of corn meal, ground oats, and wheat bran is excellent for this purpose."

Friends of Miss Alice Boyd will regret to learn that she continues critically ill at St. Margaret's hospital in Montgomery.

Coach Phil Crigler, who has been away for the summer, returned to Elba Sunday night to resume his duties at Elba High School.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Bonneau, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jackson and Harry Bonneau Jackson spent Sunday in Panama City, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Mays and son, Ralph, Jr., of Akron, Ohio, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Ham, and other relatives.

The Elba City Schools will definitely open on Monday, September 14, at which time Hon. Lister Hill of Montgomery, Congressman from the second district of Alabama, will address students and patrons, according to Supt. Jas. C. Dixon in a statement issued Tuesday. In order that much of the preliminary work may be dispensed with before Monday morning, Mr. Dixon is calling for all high school students to register on next Thursday and Friday, September 10 and 11. Registration for elementary school students will be held on Friday, September 11, also. Mr. Dixon has issued the following statement in regard to the opening:

To the Patrons, Elba City Schools:

Registration for high school students will be held on September 10 and 11. I want all buses to run on the 11th, since it is of vital importance that students be classified before classes start.

Registration for Elementary pupils will be on the 11th. All students should report at time of registration for book chargements and classification that they all may start together.

In the high school those who register and pay their fees first will be given preference in those classes that are limited in number.

All class work will start on Monday, September 14, with chapel at 10 a.m. We will have with us for the opening address the Hon. Lister Hill of Montgomery, A cordial invitation is extended all to hear him.

Respectfully,
JAS. C. DIXON,
Superintendent.

NO BULLET HOLES SHOWN IN X-RAY OF VICTIM OF WRECK

Thursday this newspaper carried an article about a post-mortem examination of the body of Dossie Austin, who was burned to death when the automobile in which he was riding turned over and caught fire near Rocky Head, just beyond Pea River in Dale County, on August 18th. Friends and relatives had the autopsy made to determine whether or not Austin died from the effects of bullet wounds, rather than the fire, altogether.

The autopsy Thursday did not locate any bullet wounds and the X-rays that were made by Dr. H. J. Marshall were developed last night, the doctor stating this morning that no indications of bullet wounds showed up in the pictures.—Troy Messenger.

NEW STORE IS OPENING ON WEST SIDE SQUARE

The M & N Store is the name of a new mercantile establishment just opened on the West side of Court Square, in the building between the two theatres. According to the announcement in this issue of The Clipper, the store will carry a full line of dry goods and ready-to-wear. S. Arcuso & Sons are proprietors of the store.

DEPUTY PAUL IMPROVING

Friends of Deputy Sheriff W. B. Paul will be glad to know that he is improving after a very severe illness. He had been suffering for several weeks and the latter part of last week was carried to Edge hospital in Troy for treatment. Reports Wednesday were that his condition is better and that he will probably return to his home the latter part of this week.

Mr. Charles Rowe of Montgomery is spending a few days in Elba with his mother, Mrs. Bettie Rowe.

Mrs. W. W. Sanders, Misses Mae, Fannie, Vivian and Lallie Harper and guests, Dr. and Mrs. Gap Rushing and Mrs. J. T. Graham, spent Friday at Fort Walton, Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Lander Cureton, who now reside in Wetumpka, were in Elba for the week-end, guests of Rev. and Mrs. B. S. Franklin.

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EUROPE, A LESSON

The greatest tragedy which could befall America would be the development in this country of such national class and racial hatreds as have converted Europe into an armed camp and set the people of Spain to killing each other in a merciless and bloody civil war.

America is not without its preachers of hate. Lately there have been public utterances by men whose position and responsibility should have restrained their tongues, calculated to inflame the minds of the thoughtless to hatred of groups of their fellow-citizens. To stir up hatred against those who differ in their religious creeds, their political beliefs or in their place is to start America on the road to civil strife which might well lead us, as it has led Europe, into warfare.

The real danger to American liberties is not from without but from within. The preachers of class hatred are more dangerous enemies of the Republic than is any foreign nation. It has been this country's greatest source of pride that no citizen belongs to any fixed class. Every man can, as millions have done, raise himself from the lowliest state of life to the highest. Nobody will try to stop him. Rather, if he has the ability to make something better of himself he will find encouragement and helping hands all along his upward climb.

To teach that all employers are the enemies of their employees is vicious and un-American. It is not true, as every intelligent person knows. To teach that the followers of any particular religion are enemies of those whose beliefs are different, is equally vicious and un-American. Our nation was founded on tolerance, on freedom of thought and of religious belief. To attempt to destroy that tolerance and substitute hatred for it is to blast at the foundations of the Republic.

There is no power, and there should be no power except public opinion, to prevent any American from saying whatever he believes to be true. But good citizens should weigh the possible consequences of their utterances, and refrain from arousing needless and blind antagonisms between group and group.

THE SEEDS OF INFLATION

The banks of the United States have more money on deposit than at any previous time in banking history. Not even at the height of our financial prosperity, before the collapse of 1929, did the 5,374 national banks hold within a billion and a quarter as many dollars as the $26,453,000,000 which the Comptroller of the Currency reported a couple of weeks ago. In addition, state banks and savings banks hold even more. The stupendous total of money in our banks runs to above 58 thousand million dollars.

This is sufficient, some financial experts say, to permit banks safely to lend eight time as much, or more than four hundred billion dollars. If that credit could be put to work, an immediate end could be made of any remaining vestiges of depression. Until it is lent and put to productive use, its net effect is to increase prices of all commodities without increasing commodity production proportionately.

We have, in short, reached a stage of credit inflation where we have more money than we know what to do with.

Beyond doubt this bank money and credit ought to be put to work. As to why it is not working, opinions differ. The fact is that there is comparatively little demand for credit.

So we have the curious, even amazing spectacle of a nation literally choked with riches and yet does not turn its money into productive channels. Nothing like that has ever occurred before. That the dam which is holding back the flow of credit will burst, sooner or later, is certain. When that happens, we may find ourselves in an era of cheap money and high commodity prices such as America has never seen.

The seedes of inflation are already in the strong-room of the banks of the nation.

RUNNING INTO TRAINS

Don Quixote's tilting at windmills was hardly less foolish and much less disastrous than the habit of present day motorists who assault railroad trains.

Figures covering accidents at railroad crossings during a period of six months show that in 27 per cent of the cases the automobiles ran into trains, instead of trains running into automobiles.

One railroad company reports that in a single year 500 of its crossing gates lowered to protect the public were run into and smashed by motorists. Another company checked the performance of 3,589 drivers while crossing its tracks. By actual observation it was found that of this number 2,907 failed to look either to the right or left before crossing; 602 looked in one direction only, while 80 drivers looked both ways.

With such evidence of recklessness on the part of motorists before us, it is not difficult to understand why some 36,000 persons are killed and more than a million injured in automobile accidents every year.

A LENIENT WIFE

How much personal freedom a husband and wife should permit each other is a question that has been the subject of much discussion both in public and private. It is suspected that a good many husbands grant their wives as little liberty as possible, while taking all they can get for themselves. And in a good many cases the wife adopts a similar attitude.

The grand prize for leniency to a husband, if such is entitled to a prize, would seem to be due Mrs. Rhoda Hood of Louisville, who gave her husband, James E. Hood, a card signed by her reading as follows:

"This is to certify that I hereby permit my husband to go where he pleases, drink what he pleases, and furthermore to enjoy the company of any lady or ladies he sees fit, as I know he is a good judge. I want him to enjoy life while he can, as I know he is going to be dead a long, long time."

Whether Mrs. Hood's attitude was a wise one is open to question, but it probably saved a lot of argument. Her card of manumission came to light when it was found in Hood's pocket after he had been killed by an automobile, while walking alone and sober on a Baltimore street.

COTTON CARRY-OVER SMALLEST SINCE 1930

AUBURN, Ala.—Total stock of all cotton in the United States at the close of the cotton season, ended July 31, was smaller than that of any comparable date since 1930, according to preliminary figures issued by the New York Cotton Exchange Service. It totaled approximately 5,477,000 bales, compared with 7,208,000 on the corresponding date last year and a maximum of 9,678,000 in 1932.

The annual meeting of the Alabama Farm Bureau Federation has been postponed until the farmers of the State finish gathering their crops.

FARMERS TOLD TO OBTAIN REAL ABRUZZI RYE SEED

AUBURN, Ala.—Alabama farmers should be certain that they obtain Abruzzi seed when they purchase that variety, warns J. C. Lowery, extension horticulturist, in advising that Rosen and other rye seed are often substituted for Abruzzi.

"Because the seed of the different rye varieties is so similar in appearance, farmers should buy Abruzzi seed from a territory where Abruzzi is commonly grown, and refuse seed not completely labeled," he says. "It is generally acknowledged that when seed is offered at abnormally low prices it is well to make careful inquiry and keep records showing the representations made by the seller.

When seed is suspected of being misbranded it should be called to the attention of L. N. Allen, seed analyst of the State Department of Agriculture, Montgomery, who will report the case to the Division of Seed Investigation, U. S. Department of Agriculture, D. C., if the shipment appears to have violated the Federal Seed Act.

BANKERS URGE FARMERS PLANT WINTER LEGUMES

AUBURN, Ala.—The Agricultural Committee of Alabama Bankers Association has written bankers of the State urging that they encourage farmers to plant winter legumes to enrich their soil and to prevent soil erosion during the winter months.

"The planting of legumes taken in connection with the present program of farm terracing in Alabama should lead to a rapid increase in the productivity of our soils," says a letter written by the Agricultural Committee and signed by H. J. Whitfield, chairman.

"A study of the increased production of Alabama farms by counties will demonstrate that the use of winter legumes is bringing results."

VEGETABLES TO PLANT THIS MONTH AND NEXT

AUBURN, Ala.—Vegetables Alabama farmers may plant in late summer and fall are turnips, mustard, lettuce, kale, spinach, tendergreen and onions, advises Prof. L. M. Ware, head of horticulture department, Alabama Polytechnic Institute.

"Planting of these vegetables may continue in North Alabama until September 10; in Central Alabama until September 20, and in South Alabama throughout October," he states.

County farm and home agents throughout the State are at present advising farmers and farm women the best varieties to plant for winter gardens.

Plans are being made for a series of farm meetings to be held in the Southeastern States to discuss recommendations of farmers concerning an agricultural conservation program for 1937.

Alabama farmers are being advised to save all pigs possible as "hogs should continue to bring a good price during 1937."

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FARMER JONES AND HIS COW PEN

By JUDGE W. M. BRUNSON

The ordinary farmer of this section has never learned the true value of barbed wire on a farm. Most of us use a little barbed wire on the place but it is pretty hard to find a piece if you happen to want it. Some of us think that it is only good to be used on the top of hog wire, while some of us do not allow a piece on the place because we heard that it was dangerous to have around on the place. I'm a great believer in barbed wire and I doubt that we ever get too much of it on the place. Of course, it should not be left around where it will injure the cows or children but we have plenty of time to keep it in its proper place. At one time I believed that all our land should be fenced with hog wire and I tried to fence all of my place that way. I have since learned that I do not need the whole country fenced to raise hogs as they will do much better on a small place. I have also learned that a good barbed wire fence is better for cattle than a hog wire fence. I do not want anything for my cattle other than three strands of barbed wire. When I have nothing but barbed wire I do not expect it to hold anything except my cows and it is mighty easy to keep it right for the cows. I find that I can use trees instead of posts and that I can have my posts much farther apart than I can with hog wire. If my barbed wire is tight I can use a stick between the trees for a post. You only need something which will keep the wire the proper distance apart. It will only take a few posts to fence in several hundred acres of pasture land if you will go from tree to tree. We always use a strip to go on the tree as we do not want the wire to grow into the tree. I have also learned that you can use willow posts and that they will grow and make a tree, provided they are put out in the winter. Of course you must put the large end down and you must put the post out as soon as it is cut. A few small willow trees is all I need to fence a nice pasture in the woods. The thing which I like most about barbed wire is that you can take it down and move it with very little trouble and it will last for years and years if you will not permit fire to burn it. We have a frame built on which a windlass works and we wind up a roll of wire without moving the windlass. The windlass has a large base and we prop it behind a tree or stump so it cannot slide. Two hands turn the windlass and one man guides the wire with a piece of iron pipe. The pipe is bent double but is long enough to stand up about three feet after it has been bent. We put the bent pipe over the wire and then move it back and forth so as to guide the wire to the exact place wanted. We take the wire down and see that there are no knots or crooks to hold the wire. It is sometimes necessary to go up the piece of wire and help lighten the load until about one-third of it is on the spool. After you get about one-third of the roll on the spool it is easy to wind it in. By doing it this way you have a good tight spool which is a great help in placing the wire the next time. In the first place we should have enough barbed wire to fence all our lands,, but if we do not we should move the wire so that our cattle will graze all our land which is very necessary if we are to start a real growth of young pine trees.

I have also noticed that most of us put forth very little effort in preparing our cattle for the winter months. We all have patches or fields which could be grazed off at the present time if we had the barbed wire and the energy to put it up. We could fatten our cows if we would only do the necessary work and get them on some good grass, peas or pursley. If we get our cattle fat it is much easier to carry them through the winter months. Every farmer in this section should have all or a part of his cattle in a field or patch at the present time. Unless we have some spare wire about the place we cannot handle the cows. We can make enough in one summer to buy all the barbed wire we need for the shifting of our cows if we will only use the money made for that purpose. Just as soon as we cut a piece of dent corn it is the exact time when we should use some barbed wire and put some yearlings or cows to grazing right where we cut the corn. I would like to see one farm in Alabama on which there was an ample supply of barbed wire for needs. Nothing would do more to develop the cattle industry in this section than a true understanding of the value of barbed wire.

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There are at least three good reasons why your cows and calves should be placed in your cotton patch as soon as you are through with your cotton picking. In the first place they will eat all the green tops and in that way destroy the boll weevils. In the second place they will trod your land, which will be a big help the next year in farming, and in the third place your cows will get fat on what you will otherwise waste. Any one of these reasons is or would be sufficient to justify your efforts in getting your yearlings into your cotton patch at an early date. However, I have observed in the past and will observe in the future that many of us will keep poor cows in a pasture while our cotton tops and other grazing stands idle in our fields. The months of September and October are the best months for the small farmer to fatten some yearlings for the market. You can fatten a few yearlings in your cotton patch and not miss the time or the feed consumed. When we do a thing of this kind we are getting ahead, as there is no cost and a lot of profit. Of course, you will need some barbed wire and some man power in stretching it around your cotton patch. It will take you about two days to do the job if you have the entire patch to fence. If it is partly fenced you might do the job in a few hours. Rainy days are made for just such work if we will only use the rainy days as we should. If I had a large cotton field and no cattle to graze on it I would give the run of the field to some neighbor if he would put enough cattle in the field to destroy the weevils. I would get the fertilizer, have the obnoxious weevils destroyed, have my land trod and would have the consolation of knowing that I had helped a few old cows to get a real feed. Many of us will have our cotton out in another week or so and I'm hoping that the cows will follow the pickers in every cotton patch in this section. As soon as we learn the real value of taking the advantage of things in this way we shall all be better farmers. So please pass the word around in your neighborhood and help your friends who do not know the art of taking advantage of such things. If only one man in each community would start the practice of grazing his cattle on his cotton patch it would do much toward starting the others.

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We are picking cotton from early till and if nothing stops us we shall soon be through. I'll be glad when it is over, as I never did like cotton picking. I would fare pretty well if it was not for Sallie. Sallie is a great believer in work and she contends that you cannot injure your health by work if you do not dissipate. Well, anyway, we expect to rest from cotton picking when it rains, but Sallie will not permit us to do so. If a shower comes up and stops us from picking cotton we must go directly to the grazing patch. Sallie is preparing to have some early grazing for her milk cows and calves. She wants us to clean off the land and break it in September, and then, as soon as it rains, she wants the grain planted. It is turf oats, rye and winter peas for the winter grazing if Sallie is to be kept quiet. I realize that this grain should be planted early but it does seem that Sallie should allow a fellow to rest his back on rainy days. If nothing happens we shall have oats and rye ankle deep before the first frost falls. The thing Sallie is after is making sure that her calves and cows can get something green the next day after our first big frost. And you can count on us having it as Sallie will not let any of us rest until her grazing work has been finished. Of course this work means nice, healthy fat calves and good rich sweet milk during the winter months and Sallie is right about it. If my old back hurts or if it don't hurt we will have the grazing ready just the same. I hope your wife makes you do the same thing.

TEEL MEMORIAL SING

The Teel Memorial Singing will be held at Cool Springs Church September 9. Everybody is cordially invited to come and bring their Sacred Harp books.

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An Agricultural Luncheon Civic Club has been organized in Mobile County. Approximately 50 leading farmers, civic and business leaders are members.

CURTIS NEWS

Mrs. Maloy and daughter, Miss Margaret, of Montgomery spent last Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. John Grimes.

Miss Ellie Grimes was the dinner guest of Miss Myra Grimes last Friday.

Mrs. George Parker visited her daughter, Mrs. Cary Meek, at Basin the first part of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Rafus Rowell visited Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kirkland last Tuesday night.

Miss Myra Grimes was a dinner guest of Miss Sara Smith last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Travis Kirkland were dinner guests of Miss Ellie Grimes and mother last Tuesday.

Miss Sara Smith was the week-end guest of Miss Myra Grimes.

Mr. Roy Nix of Opp and Miss Mattie Lena Wilson of Elba were married Friday night. Their many friends wish for them an abundance of happiness.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Taylor and Owen Taylor were week-end guests of Mrs. R. C. Johnson in Kinston.

Miss Ellie Grimes visited Miss Cleone Parker last Wednesday afternoon.

All who attended the singing Saturday night at the home of Mrs. G. C. Britt enjoyed themselves very much.

Mr. Fred Meacham is leaving this week for Decatur, Miss., where he is entering school for the fall term.

Among those visiting Mrs. Malissia Grimes Sunday afternoon were Mr. John Grimes, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Meacham and Mr. and Mrs. Morgan Grimes.

Misses Myrtis Meacham and Ellie Grimes visited Mrs. C. E. Grimes at Basin Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Daniels visited Mrs. G. C. Britt Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lee of Elba visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Grimes, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Ellie Grimes visited Miss Eva Grimes Saturday afternoon.

Miss Myrtis Meacham visited Miss Mary Ellen Smith Saturday night.

SEPTEMBER DOVE SHOOTING IS BANNED IN THIS SECTION

MONTGOMERY, Aug. 15.—The shooting of doves during September will be prohibited in a majority of Alabama counties under new open season dates on migratory birds set by the U. S. Bureau of Biological Survey.

The counties affected by the change of dates eliminating September shooting are south of Birmingham and Tuscaloosa. New open season dates in this territory will be from November 20 to January 31.

September 1 to September 30, and December 20 to January 31 were set as open season dates for Pickens, Tuscaloosa, Jefferson, Shelby, Talladega, Clay, Randolph and all counties north.

I. T. Quinn, State conservation commissioner, said he had received telegraphic instructions from Ira N. Gabrielson, chief of the biological survey, to eliminate September shooting in southern counties to afford replenishing of depleted stock.

The old seasons on doves were from September 1-30, and November 20 to January 5 for the entire State except in Mobile, Baldwin and Washington Counties. November 1 to January 5 was the old season date in those counties.

Under the new regulation, open season on geese, ducks, brant, snipe and coot will be from November 26 to December 25, compared with the old season of November 20 to December 19. All shooting of the canvas back and red head ducks will be prohibited under the new order.

The commissioner said new instructions did not specify bag limits on migratory birds but he expected further information later.

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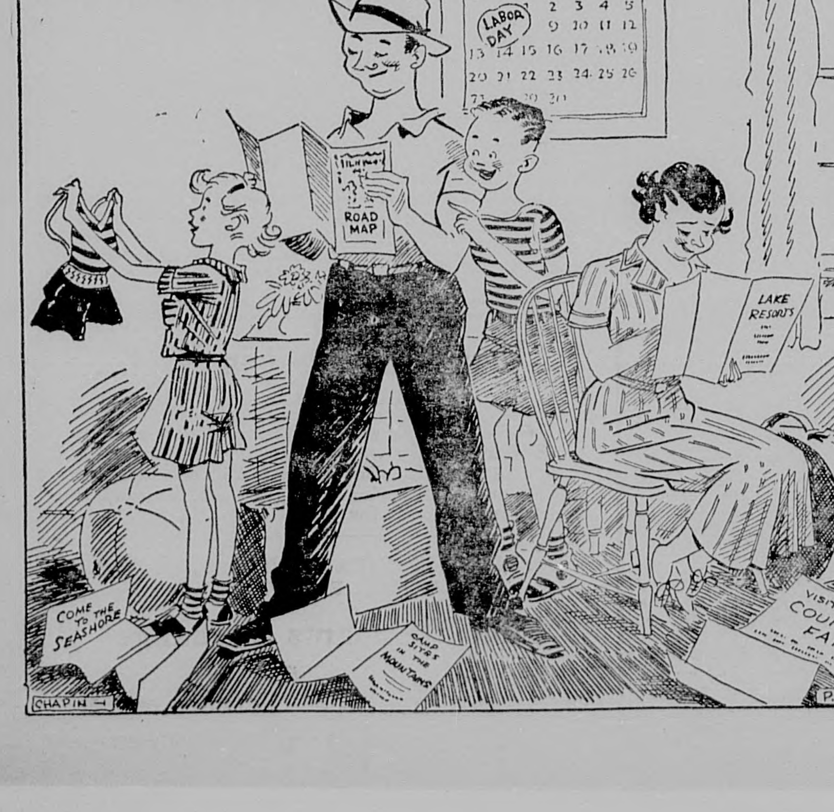

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EIGHTH INSTALLMENT

SYNOPSIS:—Silas Spelle, high-handed, low-principled cattle baron, is out to smash the local bank and force foreclosure on the small ranchers of the Kanab desert country so that he can seize their range lands. He is opposed by Ed. Starbuck, president of the Cattlemen's Bank, and by San Juan Delevan, prominent rancher who has been crippled by a fall from his horse. Tex Whipple and his partner, Johnny Clehoe, are cowpunchers employed by San Juan Delevan to fight the rustlers and protect his interests.

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"Pink," he drawled, "it's always been my opinion that you were a more or less useless young whelp, but I take it back. What in Sam Hill did yuh do to them broncs to get all that action outa 'em? Come on, now, didn't yuh have a bottle o' high life with yuh?"

"Nope," grinned Pink. "Nary drop. I jest painted their hides with leather, an' man, they shore responded!"

"I rise to remark they did," chimed in Johnny. "Every time me an' Tex took a look both hosses an' all four wheels was plumb off th' ground."

"Well, doggone it, Tex said show some speed—an' I did."

"Yuh did yuh know," nodded Tex. "Johnny, if you an' Pod'll undress these skates I'll take Utah an' Al up to see ole Jim. We gotta hold a council o' war. Spelle's shore to start somethin' an' we wanta get the jump on him. Utah, you an' Al come along with me. These cubs'll take care o' yore outfits."

When the three old timers were out of earshot Pod Fortune turned to Johnny and Pink.

"If yuh ask me," he stated ponderously, wagging one big forefinger for emphasis, "there's more genuwine high fire an' sudden death tied up in them three old rannihans than they keep buttoned down under the hinges o' hell. If'n ole Si Spelle don't step wide an' handsome he's due to be run through a buzz-saw. An' that's whatever."

At Jim Delevan's favorite corner of the porch, the old cattleman sat in serious conference with Tex, Utah Lynch and Al Burrows.

"Jim," Tex said slowly. "Those eight hundred Herefords yuh lost when yuh was hurt ain't gonna get away if I kin help it. Just about where'd be the place them rustlers would drive a big herd like that?"

Delevan considered. "If I'd been doin' it I'd o' took 'em South. There's a string o' waterholes reaching clear down to the S. W. & P. railroad. It'd mean a hard drive but it could be done. It'd take time, of course, but if the herd was kept close to the edge o' the desert they could find enough pasture along the eastern foothills to keep the cattle movin.' Of course I'm convinced Spelle is behind the steal, but he wouldn't dare hold that many cattle with my brand on 'em up north anywhere. He might take a chance on hidin' out a hundred or so in some out o' th' way corner o' his range, but eight hundred would be too big a cut. An' then, of course he'd have to blot the brands. I got the sheriff workin' on the case but after hearin' Doc McMurdo's report on the man I ain't got much hope o' results. Yuh see, Westhaven is the main center o' Kanab County an' they jest about control politics down there. Most o' th' office holders are professional politicians who are long on office detail but damn shy on everything else."

Tex nodded. "Which leaves it up to us to handle our own affairs in our own way. Le's see, that steal happened a little over two months ago. How far is it to the railroad south?"

"Close on two hundred miles."

"H-m," Tex considered. "Then on top o' the time it took to drive 'em south they'll have to blot the brands an' give 'em time to heal. I'm bettin' the Herefords ain't seen the inside of a cattle train yet. Jim, Utah an' Al an' me are hittin' th' trail in th' mornin'. I'll leave Johnny here with Pink and Pod to keep things movin' on the ranch. Besides, Spelle will probably try some kind of a ranikaboo an' yuh need somebody close what can throw a gun like th' kid."

"Yuh don't think Spelle will go that strong, do yuh, Tex?" argued Delevan.

"I know he will. Didn't he turn some o' his outfit loose after Miss Ronny this mo'nin, figgerin' on collectin' that mortgage again? I tell yuh, Jim,, that jasper is the kind that won't stop short o' sudden death to try an' have his own way in everything. He's been havin' things his own way for quite a time now an' it don't set well with him to think o' gettin' beat. Yeah—I'm bettin' yuh can look fer trouble right here on this ranch."

"A'right," growled Delevan. "Let him come, damn him. We'll be set."

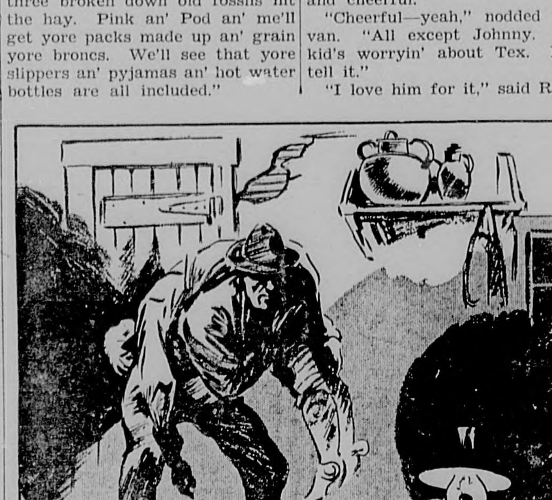
"Everythin's settled, then," said Tex. "Hi, Johnny—come here. Got somethin' to tell yuh."

Johnny listened to Tex without comment until the latter was finished, then nodded. "I expect you three ole chuckawallas will glom all the fun goin' after that rustled herd, but fer the good o' the cause I'll stick around an' boss hell outa Pink an' Pod. We'll handle things at this end without trouble. If Spelle gits on the prod I'll end the whole mix-up with a .45. That'll be the quickest way out of a lot o' argument."

"Shore, that's common sense," drawled Utah, with a wide grin. "Well, seein' that we know which way we're pointed I'm gonna grab off a round o' shut-eye. Me an' Al ain't been doin' such a hell of a lot o' sleepin' in the last week."

"Which goes fer me, too," nodded Tex. "I'm feelin' my age tonight."

"All right," jibed Johnny. "You three broken down old fossils hit the hay. Pink an' Pod an' me'll get yore packs made up an' grain yore broncs. We'll see that yore slippers an' pyjamas an' hot water bottles are all included."



"Strike a light, Johnny," Pink said. "Pod's hurt.

"You git to hell outa here," threatened Tex, while the others rumbled with laughter. "Git—or I'll whale th' tar outa yuh with a number ten boot."

Johnny fled, cackling, and the three old-timers clanked wearily down to the bunk-house, soon to be buried deep in their blankets. Johnny and his two assistants labored nearly to midnight currying and graining horses and making up packs. It was Pod Fortune who made a trip to the bunkhouse and returned with two quart bottles of whiskey.

"Roll 'em up in a sack an' put 'em in," he boomed. "Be a pleasant surprise for the ole boys, come tomorrow night. Make 'em forget the sandfleas."

Tex and Utah Lynch and Al Burrows left the Box D early the following morning. The stars were still gleaming cold and bright when they herded their pack animals out of the corral and started them down into the purple depths of the Kanab Desert. Tex was the last to leave and he hesitated a moment, looking down at the silent bunkhouse. His stern, deeply seamed face was wistful, and his eyes just a wee bit hurt.

"Better get a wiggle on, yuh ole brindle-head,," came a gruff voice at his elbow. "Th' others are gettin' a lead on yuh."

Tex started slightly and turned. Johnny was standing there at his stirrup. Miraculously Tex's face cleared and for a moment a beautiful light glowed deep in his eyes. Johnny held up his hand and Tex gripped it mightily. His left hand went out and settled lightly on Johnny's towsled head.

"Take keer o' yoreself, son," he drawled gently. "If trouble breaks remember all I've taught you. Don't go bustin' into things without thinkin' yore moves out first. If yuh ain't here when I get back I'll pave this damn country with dead men."

"Hell!" gulped Johnny. "I'll be all right. It's you I'm worryin' about. Yuh're shore to bump into gun-play down south an' I won't be there to watch out fer yuh."

"Nemmine me—I kin get along. So-long, Johnny."

"So-long, Tex."

Tex rode away, a dark, creaking bulk in the half dawn. At the corral gate Johnny stood, watching and listening until the last sound of departure vanished. Then he turned slowly back to the bunkhouse, swallowing thickly and blinking his eyes. He was strangely unashamed of the tears.

For the next three weeks Johnny drove Pink and Pod and himself unmercifully. There were a multitude of things to be done about the ranch, and every night the three youngsters dragged themselves to their blankets tremendously weary. But a month after Tex and Utah and Al Burrows had gone found everything about the ranch in tip-top shape.

From his daily seat on the porch, old Jim Delevan watched the progress with an approving eye.

"That boy Johnny is shore a go-getter," he remarked one evening to Ronny, who was perched beside him. "Pink an' Pod have done more work in the last month than they ever did in six before, an' darned if they don't seem happy in doin' it. They're gettin' that danged proud o' this ranch they ain't fit to live with."

"They are good boys, all," answered Ronney Softly. "So loyal and cheerful."

"Cheerful—yeah," nodded Delevan. "All except Johnny. That kid's worryin' about Tex. I kin tell it."

"I love him for it," said Ronny. "He worships old Tex. He—he'd die for him. I know he would."

Delevan nodded again. "I like that kid—sh-h-h, here he comes now."

Johnny came striding up out of the dusk and crossed the porch to Ronny and her father. He looked very tall and lean and capable, thought Ronny, her heart skipping a beat. And his usual devil-may-care face was set and grim and strangely harsh.

"Evenin', folks," he drawled. "I come up to say so-long for a time. I'm headin' South in th' mornin'."

"I savvy," nodded Delevan. "Go ahead, son; yuh've done mighty fine work in the past month an' things are in better shape than they've been for a year. I see Pink an' Pod headed fer town after dinner."

"Yeah," said Johnny, relaxing a little. "Them boys shore have earned a holiday. An' it was jest about a case o' have to. Pod was down to his last pair o' socks an' Pink's been on the verge o' tears for a week over the way his pants are fallin' apart. But they shore have worked."

"I'm raisin' their wages," declared Delevan abruptly. "I kin appreciate any man's efforts."

"Be all right if I take a couple o' spare horses?" asked Johnny. "I aim to make a fast trip."

"Hell," snorted Delevan. "Do yuh need to ask? Take a dozen if yuh want 'em, son. I don't think yuh need to do any worryin', but I ain't tryin' to hold yuh back."

When Johnny left, Ronney followed him shamelessly to the steps.

"Take—take care of yourself, Johnny," she murmured, holding out her hand shyly.

Johnny gripped it in both of his. "They's jest two things worth while in life fer me, Ronny," he murmured with a kind of fierce tenderness. "You an' Tex make up the herd. Yeah—I'll be back."

Just before midnight, Johnny awoke with a start. Someone, grunting and stumbling, had entered the bunkhouse.

"Quien es?" called Johnny. "Who is it?"

"It's me—Pink," came the answer. "Strike a light, Johnny; Pod's hurt."

CONTINUED NEXT WEEK

TON - LITTER SHOW - SALE WILL BE HELD SEPT. 9—10

AUBURN, Ala.—Farmers and 4-H Club members are manifesting a great deal of interest in the ton-litter show and sale to be held at the Union Stock Yards in Montgomery, September 9-10, reports F. W. Burns, extension livestock specialist.

Hogs on exhibit and weighing over 160 pounds each will be sold at Chicago prices. This is encouraging a number of growers to prepare their hogs for the show and sale, Burns points out.

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ANNUAL SESSION OF SACRED HARP SINGING CONVENTION

The annual session of the Coffee County Seven-Shape Convention convened at Goodman August 29, 1936, with a large and interested crowd in attendance. After a lesson by the preceding year's chairman, A. W. Griffith, and a prayer by the chaplain of the convention, R. H. Herring, the convention went into the election of officers. The following officers were elected:

Eddie Gibson, president.

R. E. Chapman, vice-president.

Mrs. Martin, Enterprise, retained as secretary.

The Executive Committee appointed by the president was as follows: Dwight Moody, Elba; R. H. Herring, New Brockton; B. A. Jackson, Mt. Pleasant.

Three special numbers were rendered during the day by a quartette composed of R. A. Brown, Brooklyn; Lehman Wise, Ino; Button Holloway, Basin; Dwight Moody, Elba.

All committees were appointed and reports from the majority were given during the day.

The convention opened Sunday morning for the second day of the session with the attendance overflowing the building.

Visiting singers were present from the following conventions: Sunny South Convention, Covington County Convention, Big Creek Convention, and others. Charlie Stephens was present with his widely-known quartette which rendered several beautiful and impressive numbers during the day. Two impressive memorial lessons were directed by Charlie Stephens and B. A. Jackson in memory of deceased members of the convention.

The executive committee made its report Sunday afternoon as follows:

The Semi-Annual Session to convene at New Brockton on the fifth Sunday in August, 1937.

The Annual session to convene at Elba the fifth Sunday and Saturday before in October, 1937.

The resolutions committee made its report Sunday afternoon, with a resolution expressing its appreciation to the people of Goodman community for its hospitality shown the convention.

Appreciation for the cooperation of the visiting singers of other convention present, together with all others, was expressed by the president after which the convention was dismissed by the chairman.

We cordially invite each and every one to attend the above mentioned sessions of the Coffee County Convention for next year.

Respectfully,
EDDIE GIBSON,
President.

LIVESTOCK SHOW TO BE HELD THIS FALL

AUBURN, Ala.—Plans have been completed for a livestock show to be held at the Alabama State Fair in Birmingham, September 28-October 3.

Dr. M. F. Jackson, Birmingham, will be in charge, while F. W. Burns and Dr. R. S. Sugg, extension livestock specialists, will supervise the handling of the cattle while at the fair.

Two outstanding prizes will be given 4-H club and FFA members. The boy exhibiting the best dairy calf will be given a trip to the National dairy show at Dallas, Texas, or to the International Livestock Show in Chicago, while the boy with a champion beef calf will be given a trip to the International Livestock Show.

GOOD RATION GIVEN FOR SOWS WITH PIGS

AUBURN, Ala.—An excellent ration for sows with pigs consists of 60 pounds corn chops, 30 pounds wheat shorts, and eight pounds of tankage, advises F. W. Burns, extension livestock specialist. The sow should have about four per cent of her weight of the mixture daily.

"Sows which will farrow in September should be placed in a field of cowpeas, soybeans, or similar green feed immediately," he said.

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"The Man Who-o-O" Tales and Traditions from American Political History
By FRANK E. HAGEN and ELMO SCOTT WATSON

HE DEFEATED HIMSELF

HISTORIANS lay the blame for James G. Blaine's defeat to a number of men. But the fact is that Blaine defeated himself—with the aid of Roscoe Conkling.

It started when both men were young congressmen. One day in 1866 the New Yorker, who had been lording it over the lower house, became engaged in a dispute with the Maine representative and declared haughtily: "If the member from Maine had the least idea how profoundly indifferent I am to his opinion upon the subject under debate, I think he would hardly take the trouble to express it."

Blaine rose and, facing Conkling, delivered this speech: "As to the gentleman's cruel sarcasm, I hope he will not be too severe. The contempt of that large-minded gentleman is so wilting; his haughty disdain, his grandiloquent swell, his majestic, supereminent, overpowering turkey gobbler strut has been so crushing to myself and all the members of the house that I know it was an act of the greatest temerity to venture upon a controversy with him. But, sir, I know who is responsible for this. It is not his fault. It is the fault of another. That gifted and satirical writer, Theodore Tilton of the New York Independent, spent some weeks in this city recently. His letters published in that paper embraced, with many serious statements, a little jocose satire, a part of which was the statement that the mantle of the late Winter Davis had fallen upon the member from New York. That gentleman took it seriously and it has given his strut additional pomposity. The resemblance is striking. Hyperion to a satyr; Thersites to Hercules; mud to marble; dunghill to diamond; a singed cat to a royal Bengal tiger; a whining puppy to a roaring lion."

That brief talk—it took only two minutes—ruined Blaine's political career forever. It completely squelched Conkling but it pierced his vanity to the roots. From that moment he hated Blaine and for the next 20 years devoted himself to thwarting the "Plumed Knight." Twice he kept the New Englander from getting the Republican nomination and once contributed to his defeat at the polls in November.

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ROORBACK

AS election time nears, watch out for "roorbacks"—those campaign lies which are circulated in the last few days of a campaign by partisans of one candidate to discredit and perhaps aid in defeating another candidate. We've had such canards in every political campaign since the days of John Adams but it wasn't until '844 that they were given their distinctive name.

On August 21 of that year a letter was printed in the Ithaca (N. Y.) Journal which asserted that James K. Polk, the Democratic candidate, branded his slaves with his initials as though they were so many cattle. Denounced by Polk's supporters, the editor of the Journal declared that the truth of the statement could not be doubted, since the authority for it was a book which had "received the approbation of every American critic." It was Roorback's "Tour Through Southern and Western States in the Year 1836" and Roorback was a foreign observer who had written his book long before Polk was a candidate for President.

But Polk's friends soon proved that the whole thing was a hoax. They showed that the alleged quotation from Roorback's "Tour" had been lifted from George William Featherstonaugh's "Excursion Through the Slave States." After giving verbatim this Englishman's description of a slave trader's encampment, the author of the letter to the Ithaca Journal had added "Forty of these unfortunate beings had been purchased, I was informed, of the Hon. J. K. Polk, the present speaker of the house of representatives; the mark of the branding iron, with the initials of his name on their shoulders, distinguishing them from the rest."

After this revelation, the whole "villainous forgery" was investigated and the author of the letter exposed as a Democratic officeholder, belonging to a faction opposed to Polk. The excitement over this incident died down before the election but by that time the fame of "Roorback" was firmly established and his name is perpetuated in politics to this day.

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REGISTER'S SALE

Mrs. Georgie Flowers, et als., Complainants, vs. H. C. Flowers, et als., Respondents. In the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division: In Equity.

Under and by virtue of the decree of the Circuit Court in the above entitled cause, rendered the 29th day of August, 1936, I, J. W. Brock, as Register of said Court, will sell for cash, to the highest bidder, at the door of the County Courthouse in Elba, Alabama, within the legal hours of sale, on the 28th day of September, 1936, the following real estate, to-wit:

SW ¼ of NE ¼, NW ¼ of SE ¼, and east half of SW ¼ of Section 20, Township 7, Range 21, in Coffee County, Alabama, same being a sale for division among the joint owners of said property.

Witness my hand this 1st day of September, 1936.

J. W. BROCK, Register.
s3-10-17-24.

Landon Attends Church in Town of Birth

WEST MIDDLESEX, Pa. . . . With relatives and among old friends, Governor Alf M. Landon of Kansas, Republican Presidential candidate, attended services here in the church where his grandfather, Rev. Wm. H. Mossman, was pastor when Landon was born in the parsonage nearby. Photo shows Gov. Landon leaving the church with his great-aunt, Mrs. Emma Lininger, after the services.

"Penny Pencil" Wins

NEW YORK . . . This year it is Mrs. Susan F. Eisele, Blue Earth, Minn. (above), with young son, adjudged the best country newspaper correspondent and awarded a trip here and $200 in cash. Under the title, "With a Penny Pencil," her column deals with everyday farm life events.

ALABAMA FARMERS TOLD TO GROW BIG OAT CROP

AUBURN, Ala.—Oats offer Alabama farmers an excellent opportunity of growing feed for livestock next spring.

The importance of farmers doing this is emphasized by J. C. Lowery, extension agronomist, in pointing out that farmers of the United States this year are producing a small corn, oat, and hay crop and that prices on feed products are likely to be high next year.

Oats should be planted on good land in September and the first of October. They should be planted at the rate of two bushels per acre and the seed should be treated for smut.

For full information on how to succeed with oats, Mr. Lowery suggests that farmers see their county agents and vocation agricultural teachers.

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NOTICE

In the Matter of the Estate of E. L. Foley, Deceased. In the Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama, in Equity.

Notice is hereby given that on the 22nd day of August, 1936, came John D. Stewart, as Administrator De Bonis Non of the Estate of E. L. Foley, deceased, and filed his account for final settlement, accompanied by vouchers and other written evidence, and that the 24th day of September, 1936, has been set as the day to hear said petition, and any person interested therein may contest the same, if he thinks proper.

Witness my hand on this the 24th day of August, 1936.

J. W. BROCK,
Register of Circuit Court
In Equity. a27.s3-10.

Indications are that the State ton-litter contest at the Union Stock Yards in Montgomery, September 9-10, will be a great success. All hogs must be at the Stock Yards before noon, Sept. 9.

W. L. Curry of Ontario, Can., although in good health, has paid in advance the rent on a local hall to be used by his friends for a night of dancing and merrymaking when he dies.

THE ELBA CLIPPER

STRAW VOTE BALLOT

Nation-Wide Vote for PRESIDENT

THIS Straw Vote is being conducted by cooperating weekly newspapers located in states throughout the nation to show pre-election sentiment of small town and rural America in their choice for President for the next four years.

TO VOTE:
Mark a cross X in the square before the name of the candidate you prefer.

Group or club voting is NOT allowed. . . . Only single individual votes will be counted.

A voter need not sign his or her name, but to assist in national tabulation please fill in name of town and state, below.

Vote for one only of these candidates

☐ ROOSEVELT (Democratic)
☐ LANDON (Republican)
☐ LEMKE (Union)
☐ THOMAS (Socialist)
☐ COLVIN (Prohibition)
☐ BROWDER (Communist)

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People & Things

(Continued from page one)

last week to the effect that he was resigning as pastor of the Elba First Baptist Church on account of his health. He says he never felt better in his life and expects to go right on preaching without fear of or favor to any man. All of which is the best of news to his multitude of friends, who wish him and his estimable wife Godspeed wherever they may be located. I am sorry to have made anything akin to a misstatement regarding the state of Brother Franklin's health, and I am exceedingly glad to know that he has recovered from his comparatively recent ailments and that he is now enjoying such robust health.

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QUARTERLY CONFERENCE—Rev. B. C. Glenn, presiding elder of Troy District, will preach at the Elba Methodist Church Sunday morning, September 6, at 11 o'clock and will hold fourth quarterly conference in the afternoon. The fourth quarterly conference in a Methodist Church is an unusually important one, as it is the last one preceding annual conference, when the year's finances must be rounded up into shape. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody to come out and hear Rev. Glenn.

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STEADY JOB — For the past several months, John Kendrick has been jumping about from one station to another, being first man on the Atlantic Coast Line extra board as a telegraph operator. But his jumping about has come to a close, for he has been assigned a regular job at Luverne. He and Mrs. Kendrick will move there as soon as suitable living quarters can be obtained. It seems that the housing situation in Luverne is similar to that existing in Elba, exceedingly scarce. Mr. and Mrs. Kendrick's departure from Elba will be missed in a number of ways. Mrs. Kendrick is one of the most accomplished pianists ever produed here. John is recognized as one of the fairest and best posted football referees in this section. These are only two of their accomplishments. Foy Spurlin is serving as John's successor at the Coast Line station, and under the expert tutelage of Agent Almon Strain, is taking to his new duties as a duck takes to water.

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GETTING RIGHT — Station Agent Almon Strain recently received a letter from an aged colored woman in New York, addressed to "Whoever It May Concorn at the Depot at Elba, Ala." The letter contained a two-dollar bill and stated that the sender got on a train at Elba over 25 years ago and saw the conductor drop a $2 bill on the floor, which she picked up and kept, saying nothing about it all these years. But now the old negro woman writes that she wants to get right with God and makes restitution as above stated. What a fine thing it would be if more folks would follow the old colored woman's example and "get right with God"!

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ANOTHER OLD DEBT—Almost as unusual as the preceding letter was the one received the other day by J. O. English. It was written by a lady residing in the Goodman community. It contained fifty cents and stated that she had purchased a leather belt from the English store, before the flood of 1929, and she knew it had never been charged to her or paid for. Such instances as the foregoing cause us to realize that conscience is still holding forth at the same old stand and there are still converts to the belief that "honesty is the best policy."

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SPANISH BATTLES — Letters received by Dr. W. R. from his son, Prude, who is on the battleship Quincy, located in Spanish waters, engaged in removing United States citizens from that strifetorn country, give interesting firsthand information concerning the trouble over there. Prude writes that it is an interesting sight to be in a safe position and witness the bombardments and fighting that are of almost daily occurrence. However, he says that accounts printed in newspapers all over the world, in many instances, greatly exaggerate the seriousness of the situation. In fact, he says some of the battles are almost ludicrous. For instance, the belligerents on both sides make it a habit to fight awhile in the cool of the morning and then rest and take it easy the rest of the day. Evidently, those Spaniards do not believe in getting overheated.

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OPTIMISM—The original First Baptist Church building is no more. The walls have been razed and new ones have taken their place. The mule stables which will take the place of the old historical church building is rapidly being completed. A friend drops the hint that The Clipper office should be able to keep well supplied with flies when the mules get established in their new home. However, I am optimistic enough to believe that "turn about is fair play." That some of The Clipper office's flies will leave and take up their habitation where they will be better cared for.

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WIRED HIM—J. D. Smith received a letter Tuesday morning from his brother, A. R. Smith, who resides at Springdale, Ark., describing the severe drought conditions existing in his section. He states that they have not received a good rain for 13 months and that the only rain of any consequence during that time fell last June. He says that about the only thing they raised this year were a few grapes. He wishes to know whether there is a market for feeder hogs in this section, and whether it would pay him to bring a truckload to Elba. Drayden did not wait to write to his brother in Arkansas, but rushed over to the station and wired him to load up just as many porkers as possible and come on with them at once. Pigs are pigs and hogs are hogs in this section this year and the demand is growing greater from day to day. It is hard to realize that only a few short months ago the Government was paying farmers to destroy brood sows and pigs to get rid of supposed surplus. That will probably go down in history as one of the biggest blunders ever perpetrated in any country. Our people are paying for it with interest now, by importing millions of pounds of pork.

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BIG PRAYER MEETING—The old brick Baptist Church building, recently torn down, has a wealth of interesting history. A number of Elba's prominent citizens were married within its walls. Judge and Mrs. J. A. Carnley are among the number. Another important wedding ceremony performed there was a double affair when Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Whitman and Mr. and Mrs. Bertie Patrick walked into the church just at the close of prayer meeting, about 25 years ago, and were married in the presence of an audience that taxed the capacity of the building. It was probably one of the most largely attended prayer meetings ever held in this city.

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BANK DIVIDENDS — Thos. A. Dixon, receiver, announces that on September 3-4-5, the first and final dividend of the defunct First National Bank of Elba will be paid to those who have filed approved claims. The bank closed its doors October 1, 1931, and its affairs have been in course of liquidation ever since. J. F. Brunson, manager of the Elba Merchants Exchange, is authority for the statement that the amount of the checks that will be paid to depositors and others who had claims against the First National Bank will amount to approximately $40,000, the announced dividend being 12.6 per cent. While this may seem to be a pretty small dividend, the comparatively few dollars that will be received by a large number of depositors and patrons will be of considerable help to business at this particular time.

Elba has been hard hit by bank failures. First, it was the Elba Bank & Trust Company, which failed to resume business after the flood of March, 1929. Then, the closing of the First National on October 1, 1931, came near putting the finishing touches on business in a town that was having a terrific struggle to recuperate from one of the most disastrous flood losses ever suffered by a town of this size. For five years Elba has been without a bank, and had it not been for Manager J. F. Brunson stepping into the breach and establishing the Elba Merchants Exchange, this community would have indeed been in a bad way.

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IMPORT HOGS — J. D. Smith and Dr. W. C. Braswell, one day last week, received a shipment of 45 hogs from Tennessee, which they turned into a large pea patch planted for that purpose. Mr. Smith says a peculiar thing about it is that the hogs greedily devour the green and dry peas but do not molest the vines, allowing them to go right on bearing. This should furnish food for thought as well as feed for hogs.

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TIME SHORT—O. C. Smith announces that the time in which he is allowed to sell Bibles at almost give-away prices is about up, so if anybody wishes to obtain high class Bibles at cost prices, they will have to see him at once. Mr. Smith has been the medium thru which a large number of Bibles and other religious literature have been distributed in this community. He is a firm believer in the idea that every man, woman and child should own his or her own Bible.

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COOL WEATHER — Following refreshing showers, a cool wave swept down from the North Sunday night and by Monday morning our people were searching for "more cover." Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday have been delightfully cool, following one of the hottest summers ever experienced in this section. All last week, the thermometers about town registered 100 or above each day with monotonous regularity, and the nights were too warm for comfortable sleeping. It is superfluous to remark that the fall-like weather we are now enjoying is greatly appreciated, especially by cotton pickers, with whom the cotton fields throughout this territory are densely populated.

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COTTON GINNING—Cotton gins all over South Alabama are running day and night, grinding out bale after bale of the fleecy staple. The weather has been favorable for cotton picking during the past week and the bright sunshine has caused the bolls to pop open rapidly. Nearly 1,500 bales have been ginned so far in Elba, which is estimated to be approximately 40 per cent of what will be ginned here this season. It is predicted that the amount of cotton ginned here this season will fall considerably under last year's ginning.

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PEANUT CROP — The peanut crop continues to give promise of being one of the largest and finest ever produced in this section. The acreage is larger than that of last year, and while some fields may not yield as heavily, as conditions last year were ideal, there are no restrictions or red tape to befuddle the growers this year. The peanut crop in Coffee County will probably produce more clear profit this year than will be realized from the supposedly more important cotton crop. And then there is to be added the fine revenue that will be derived from the hundreds of tons of goobers that will be fed to hogs, which will show the finest profit of all.

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PAVING—Two large tank cars of asphalt are connected with steam pipes from the boiler at the Elba Gin, keeping the mixture boiling hot day and night. Seven cars of slag are on the A. C. L. sidings and Agent Almon Strain informs me that 12 more cars are ordered to arrive within the next few days, all of which are being applied on the several-mile stretch of the paving project on the Elba-Brantley highway. The large oil sprinkling truck and a half dozen dump trucks are applying the asphalt and slag as rapidly as possible. The highly-publicized cotton fabric is being tested out on this project and will be watched with much interest after the pavement's completion. There still is no tangible news concerning the paving of the worrisome 13-mile gap between the Elba and Troy ends of the Elba-Troy pavements.

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RECOVERING — Carl Folsom, Coffee County's second tallest citizen, his brother, Jimmie, topping him by some two inches, is recuperating nicely from a tonsil operation which he underwent at a Troy hospital last Friday. Carl says he is feeling O. K. except that when he tries to swallow he feels like a chicken with the gapes, and has to jump up to perform the operation.

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LARGE NUMBERS—The radio announcer over at Dothan recently broadcast as a part of his "Oddities" a rehash of what appeared in this column several years ago. He told about how the ten sons of General and Mrs. W. I. English have a baseball team composed of nine of the English brothers, the tenth acting as umpire. He stated further that each of the brothers has six sisters and each sister has ten brothers. Figure it out for yourself.

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VICTORIA — Members of the Elba Business Men's Evangelistic Club are planning to render an Orphan's Day program at the Victoria Methodist Church, Sunday afternoon, September 7, at 2:30 o'clock. Everybody is cordially invited to attend.

New Brockton News Items

By MRS. RUBY BAKER

Methodist Ladies Meet—

The Methodist W. M. S. met Monday afternoon in the home of Mrs. Elvin Hayes. The following program was rendered:

Opening Song—"Jesus Calls Us."

Scripture Reading.

Prayer—Mrs. Arch McKinnon.

The Eighth and Ninth Chapters of the Bible Study Book, "The Stewardship," were given by Mrs. Willie Ray Gunter, Mrs. B. I. Hughen, Mrs. M. O. Sawyer and Mrs. Will Ward.

This meeting was expressed by members as being one of the best during the quarter.

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Baptist W. M. S.—

The Baptist W. M. S. met at the church, with 29 members present. Devotional was given by Mrs. Ewell Harris.

This was the Society's monthly business meeting and the secretary-treasurer's report was good. Mrs. Don Fuller, chairman of the committee, reported $50.72 on the new roof for the Baptist Church, taking advantage of short business.

The two circles were entertained with a playlet directed by Mrs. Marion Fuller. The following Y. W. A. girls took part in the playlet, "Bell Brown's Sacrifice"—Agnes Harris, Hilda Sawyer, Gladys Fuller, Helen Sue Crabtree, Christine Scofield, Mary Florence Brock, Sue Scofield, Jettaline Fuller.

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Mrs. Jette Moore, Mr. and Mrs. John Seburn were guests of relatives in Georgetown, Ga., and Eufaula last week.

Milford Maddox, Allen Taylor and William Cody Ridenour have returned from C. M. T. C. at Fort Barrancas, Fla. We are glad to say our boys made good ratings. The one thing that marred the trip was that one of their number, Jack Maddox, was left in the Navy Hospital, where he is recuperating from an appendicitis operation, but we are glad to say he is doing fine and will be home this week-end.

RAMSEY BIRTHDAY SINGING

A very enjoyable birthday dinner was given at the home of Mr. Pierce Ramsey, on New Brockton Route 1, Sunday, August 30th, in honor of Mrs. Jesse Smith, who was sixty years of age on August 27th. Quite a good number of relatives and friends were in attendance to share in the pleasures of the day and the noon hour feast. The following members of Mrs. Smith's family were present: Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Ramsey, Mr. and Mrs. Bunk Goodson, Mr. and Mrs. Lucian Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Celus Killingsworth, Mr. and Mrs. Ivey Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Will Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Goodson. Only two were absent—Mr. and Mrs. Tinion Smith. There were thirteen of Mrs. Smith's grandchildren present and six absent.

The young folks sang a number of beautiful and appropriate songs in the afternoon, which added much to the enjoyment of the occasion. Practically everybody present expressed themselves as having enjoyed the day very pleasantly, and we hope to have the pleasure of many more birthday celebrations with Mrs. Smith.—A Guest, C. N.

SHIELDS MEMORIAL SING

The Shields memorial singing will be held at Pleasant Ridge Church on the third Sunday in September (Sept. 20). We invite all Sacred Harp singers to come and bring their books and also invite the lovers of singing to come and be with us. Everybody bring a well-filled trunk or basket, as we want this to be the best singing we have ever had.

There will also be a grave yard working at Pleasant Ridge on Thursday, September 17. We urge all to come and bring tools to work with.

R. C. LOWERY, Chmn.
G. M. TAYLOR, Secy.

COON REUNION TO BE HELD

The John Coon Reunion will be held at the home of D. S. Teel on the sixth day of September. The feature of the day will be Sacred Harp singing.

D. S. TEEL.

Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Bryan spent Monday in Montgomery.

Miss Pauline Carmichael and Mr. Sid Kreider of Montgomery were visitors to Elba last week.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Mitchell, Sr., of Montgomery spent Sunday in Elba with Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Farris.

Miss Kayron Campbell of Curtis visited friends in Elba last week.

Renzo Bryan, Jr., is spending several days in Columbia with Rev. and Mrs. L. W. Tubb.

Mrs. Annie King, Miss Anita King, Mrs. W. J. Hamm, Miss Marie Hamm and Miss Margaret Hamm visited relatives in Fort, Ga., last Thursday.

Miss Elizabeth Rowe, who has been in Chicago, Ill., for the past ten weeks, spent the week-end in Elba with her mother, Mrs. Bettie Rowe. She left Tuesday for Montgomery to resume her work.

Mr. M. A. Owen and Mrs. Herbert McCall and baby were visitors to Montgomery last Friday.

Mrs. E. H. Michel and baby, Emile, have returned from a pleasant visit to relatives in Enterprise.

Peoples Theatre
Elba, Alabama

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"MY AMERICAN WIFE"
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FRANCIS LEDERER And ANN SOTHERN

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BUCK JONES
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—With—
PAUL MUNI

TUESDAY—BARGAIN DAY
10c TO EVERY ONE
"KING SOLOMON OF BROADWAY"
—With—
EDMUND LOWE, DOROTHY PAGE, PINKY TOMLIN

WEDNESDAY-THURSDAY
"MR. DEEDS GOES TO TOWN"
—With—
GARY COOPER, JEAN ARTHUR

Dr. and Mrs. Gap Rushing of Durant, Oklahoma, and Mrs. J. T. Grafton and children of Lake Charles, La., who have been visiting the Misses Harper and other relatives here, left Saturday for their homes.

Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Creswell have returned to their home in Newberry, S. C., after a ten-days visit to her mother, Mrs. J. L. Jones. Miss Helen Jones accompanied them for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Dan Brooks, Jr., of Montgomery were guests of relatives during the week-end.

Mrs. J. C. McLeod of Opp, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. S. H. Brock, has returned to her home.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Garrett and Mrs. W. H. Coston were visitors to Greenville Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Gunter of New Brockton visited friends in Elba Sunday.

ROOSTER CROW

THE Gooding tavern in Greenfield, Ind., has long since disappeared but it deserves to be remembered as the birthplace of a party symbol that is still in use after nearly a century.

Back in the thirties it was owned by Joseph Chapman, an ardent Democrat, who had the habit of imitating a rooster when exulting over victories by his party. So when his political enemies won, they taunted him by shouting: "Now crow, Chapman, crow!"

In 1840 Chapman was a candidate for the state legislature from Hancock county. In that year Democratic prospects were far from bright. The country still remembered the panic of 1837 and blamed President Van Buren for it. Moreover, the "singing Whigs" were making a powerful appeal to the voters with their shouts of "Tippecanoe and Tyler, Too!" and their log cabin and hard cider symbols.

In the midst of the campaign George Pattison, editor of the Indianapolis Constitution, wrote a letter to William Sebastian of Greenfield in which he said: "I have been informed by a Democrat that in one part of your county 30 Van Buren men have turned for Harrison. You must stir up the Democracy. See Chapman, tell him not to do as he did heretofore. He used to create unnecessary alarms; he must crow; we have much to crow over."

This letter accidentally fell into the hands of the Whigs and was published in an Indianapolis paper with a view to ridiculing the Democrats. But it proved to be a boomerang for the Whigs. "Crow, Chapman, crow!" became the slogan of the Indiana Democrats and spread all over the country.

When the Indiana Sentinel was launched in 1841 it carried at the top of its front page the picture of a proud rooster and under it was the slogan "Crow, Chapman, crow!" Other Democratic newspapers began carrying the same picture and slogan and soon the rooster, crowing proudly whether in victory or defeat, became the accepted symbol of the Democratic party. Despite the later popularity of the donkey, it is still a favorite symbol—thanks to John Chapman of Greenfield, Ind., who taught his fellow-Democrats how to crow.

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SING HELD AT ELBA

The Elba Singing Society held its regular monthly get-to-gether sing at the courthouse Tuesday night, August 25th. A large crowd was present.

The singing was opened with a song by the chairman, after which the congregation was led in prayer by S. S. Edmondson.

An arranging committee was appointed, consisting of S. S. Edmondson and L. F. Young.

The following leaders then conducted a lesson each: Curtiss Rhodes, R. E. Chapman, James Martin, Grayden Stanley, J. O. McKinney, Eddie Gibson, Lucius Young, Braswell Chapman, Button Holloway, Eugene Metcalf, Grider Young.

Three specials were rendered, consisting of a number by the Chapman quartette, composed of R. E. Chapman, Mrs. Holly Boutwell, Felix Chapman, and Braswell Chapman; a quarette rendered by J. O. McKinney of Opp, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Edmondson of Elba and Grayden Stanley of Opp; and a solo by the small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Holly Boutwell.

Pianists for the occasion were Miss Tabbie Donaldson, Opp; Mrs. S. S. Edmondson, Elba, and Mrs. Holly Boutwell, Troy Rt. 5.

We certainly appreciate the visitors attending and helping us and the attendance of the home people. We cordially invite all back with us again Tuesday night after the fourth Sunday in September.

DWIGHT MOODY, Chairman.

CARD OF THANKS

We shall always be grateful to the people of Elba who were so untiring in their efforts to help and comfort us during Grover's illness and death. We shall always cherish memories of their kindness and sympathy.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Brunson and Family.

Mr. Cecil Kelley of Troy was a business visitor to Elba Tuesday.

Mrs. Julia Sanders, Mrs. Joe Holloway and children, Mrs. Carl Wilson and Mary Jane McLendon came down from Montgomery last Friday to spend the day in Elba with friends and relatives.

Miss Mabel Brunson, Marjorie Brunson and Nell English were visitors to Montgomery Monday.

Mrs. H. H. Rowling and sons, Harry and Reese, of Waycross, Ga., who are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Sauls, will leave Sunday for their home.

Mrs. W. J. Lee and grandson, Jim Lee, Mr. and Mrs. Yeldell of Panama City, Fla., spent the week-end in Elba with Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamm.

An increase of $3,587,000 in Alabama receipts for principal farm products is reported for the first half of this year, compared with the same period of 1935. The 1936 receipts amount to $36,194,000, compared with $32,607,000 last year.

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MORTGAGE SALE

STATE OF ALABAMA,
COFFEE COUNTY.

Whereas, W. A. Gatlin and wife, F. M. Gatlin, executed to The Andalusia National Bank on, to-wit: April 19, 1927, a mortgage upon the real estate hereinafter described to secure an indebtedness described therein, said mortgage being recorded in the office of the Judge of Probate of Coffee County, Alabama, at Elba, in Mortgage Book N-3, pages 433-4, and

WHEREAS, default has been made by grantors in the payment of the indebtedness secured by said mortgage and in the performance of the terms of said mortgage;

Now, therefore, A. J. Ward, the transferee and owner of said note and mortgage, will sell, under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in said mortgage, between 11 o'clock A. M., and 4 o'clock P. M., on the 28th day of September, 1936, at auction to the highest bidder for cash, in front of the Court House door of Coffee County, Alabama, in the town of Elba, Alabama, the real estate embraced in said mortgage described substantially as follows:

Forty feet off the Southern side of Lot No. 1, in Block A, in the town of Kinston, Alabama, formerly known as Boon, Alabama, said lot facing main Street forty feet and running back 150 feet to a twenty feet alley including the two brick store houses and all other improvements thereon, and bounded as follows: On the North by W. L. Harrison lot, East by a twenty feet alley, South by lot of J. N. Rhoades and West by Main Street. Also one house and lot in the Town of Kinston, Alabama, bounded as follows, to-wit: On East by right of way of L. and N. R. R. Company, on the South by Peachtree Street, on West by residence lots of R. E. Gatlin and W. Y. Noble, on the North by O. S. Gatlin, being further identified as the residence lot of the undersigned; also one lot in Town of Kinston, Alabama, known as lot number Two in Block No. One, being 100 by 150 feet, and bounded on the East by Stephens Street, on the North, West and South by property of A. J. Ward. Also all fixtures of every kind and description located in the above described stores. All of said property situated, lying and being in Coffee County, Alabama.

Said sale will be made for the purpose of realizing the mortgage debt, together with all expenses of this sale, including a reasonable attorney's fee.

A. J. WARD,
a27,s3-10-17. Transferee.

Health Notes

—By Your—
COUNTY HEALTH OFFICER

WHAT HOOKWORM DISEASE MEANS TO COFFEE COUNTY

Whenever hookworm disease is mentioned we usually think of it as a disease which affects only a few poverty-stricken persons so distantly removed from us as to cause us very little concern—only pity. Our false sense of security and disinterest may be easily dispelled when we remember that not merely a few of us have hookworm disease, but that it is widespread among the people of Coffee County. Sixty-two per cent of the school children who were examined by your County Health Officer last Spring were found to have hookworms. It does not require much thought to realize that this is indeed a serious problem in many ways to each and every one of us.

You may wonder how hookworm disease can affect you when you are without the disease? The answer is this: You are a taxpayer (either directly or indirectly) and a portion of the taxes which you pay are used to build, operate, and maintain the public schools to which you send your children. Visualize the school room in which more than half the children are sick; and ask yourself if it is not impossible for these children to learn as much as they would if they enjoyed the blessing of good health. They can not realize the full benefit to which they are entitled from the opportunities offered by the public schools. Even those children who are in robust health are also handicapped, because when the teacher has to devote a great deal more energy and effort toward trying to teach those children whose mental faculties are dulled by hookworm disease, she will have just that much less time and energy to apply toward instructing the healthy children. The teacher must necessarily regulate her educational program to produce the greatest good to the largest number of students; and inasmuch as the children with hookworms are in the majority the speed of accomplishment will be lessened.

The waste of academic efficiency is but secondary to the harm done to the general health and productiveness of the people of Coffee County. Hookworm disease rarely ever receives due credit for the damage to health which it causes. The lowering of body resistance which allows any infectious disease to take hold, causing much suffering, if not death, is usually the greatest danger of hookworm; though if enough hookworms gain entrance into our bodies they can cause death by themselves.

Since it is so clearly a matter of concern to all of us, what should each of us do to combat this disease? Sanitation is our most effective means of combating hookworms and in addition to stamping out hookworm disease, sanitation will likewise eliminate the so-called "intestinal diseases" which include typhoid fever, amoebic dysentery, bacillary dysentery, colitis, cholera, diarrhea, and many others. These diseases are the ones which take such a heavy toll each year in deaths among the young children as well as the "grown-ups"; and although we have "shots" to build up our resistance to typhoid fever, we are forced to rely upon sanitation for our protection against these other diseases.

By sanitation it is meant the sanitary disposal of human body waste; and your county health department will gladly discuss your problem of sanitation with you and assist you in installing the type of sanitation best suited to your needs. Do not shirk your responsibility to yourself, to your family, and to your community—learn from your County Health Department how you can help by doing your part. You are one of the links in the chain of public health, and as the strength of the chain is weakened by the weakness of an individual link, so will the public health be lessened by your failure to cooperate.

Remember: "The health of each of us depends upon the health of all of us."

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Government Reports Sharp Decline In 1936 Cotton Crop; Price Of Staple Takes Hike

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 8.—Cotton moved upward nearly three dollars a bale today when trading resumed after one of the most surprisingly bullish crop estimates in years. Staging a major upset in cotton crop expectations, the government figure of 11,121,000 bales brought heavy buying into the New Orleans market.

In one jump every option on the board touched the 12-cent level when the market opened after the estimate. October, selling at 11.43 earlier in the morning, sold at 12 cents even. December sold at the same figure and January and March spurted 50 points to 12.03.

The trade had looked for a government estimate around 11,900,000 bales, but even the most ardent bulls did not anticipate a lower figure than 11,500,000

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8. — The agriculture department announced today the indicated production of cotton this year, based on September 1 conditions, was 11,121,000 bales, compared with 12,481,000 bales indicated a month ago, and 10,367,130 bales produced last year.

The census bureau simultaneously announced that ginnings from this year's crop prior to September 1 totaled 1,373,868 running bales, compared with 1,135,090 for 1935 and 1,402,835 for 1934.

The condition of the crop on September 1 was 59.1 per cent of normal, compared with 72.3 per cent a month ago, 64.5 on September 1 last year, and 57.7, the 1923-32 September 1 average.

The indicated yield of lint is 179.2 pounds per acre, compared with 186.3 for last year, and 169.9, the 1923-32 average.

The indicated abandonment of acreage after July 1 is 2.9 per cent of the 30,621,000 acres in cultivation on that date, leaving 29,720,000 acres for harvest.

The condition on September 1, and indicated production by states was announced as:

Virginia, condition 74, and indicated production 29,000 bales; North Carolina, 69 and 556,000; South Carolina, 64 and 705,000; Georgia, 64 and 982,000; Florida, 72 and 30,000; Missouri, 56 and 204,000; Tennessee, 60 and 381,000; Alabama, 72 and 1,092,000; Mississippi, 74 and 1,601,000; Louisiana, 67 and 656,000; Texas, 52 and 3,016,000; Oklahoma, 24 and 239,000; Arkansas, 52 and 617,000; New Mexico, 88 and 100,000; Arizona, 90 and 154,000; California, 97 and 427,000; all other states, 58 and 11,000; lower California (old Mexico), 95 and 69,000 (latter not included in United States nor California totals).

(Arizona 1936 crop includes 20,000 bales of Pima Egyptian long staple cotton.)

A total of 9,267 ginnings prior to September included round bales, counted at half bales, and 191 bales of American-Egyptian, compared with 7,162 and 14 a year ago, and 19,216 and 203 two years ago.

Ginnings by states follow:

Alabama, 137,348; Arizona, 4,913; Arkansas, 77,853; California, 524; Florida, 10,260; Georgia, 194,839; Louisiana, 181,092; Mississippi, 247,191; Missouri, 13,463; Oklahoma, 15,541; South Carolina, 28,498; Texas, 460,168; all other states 3,178.

Miss Henrietta Coston came down from Troy Thursday for a visit to her mother, Mrs. W. H. Coston.

Mrs. E. H. Michel and baby daughter are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Johnson, in Montgomery.

Mrs. Annie Waters, Mrs. Ross Clark, Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Brooks, Jr., and Judge W. M. Brunson came down from Montgomery Saturday for a visit to home folks.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Copeland and son of Opp were visitors to Elba Sunday.

Mrs. J. O. Foster of Birmingham, Mrs. Royal Smith and little daughter, Forest Ann, of Florala are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Banks.

HIGHWAY PATROLMAN DIES OF INJURIES RECEIVED SAT.

TROY, Sept. 7.—Maury Young, 29, State Highway Patrolman, with headquarters in this city, died in a local hospital Saturday night from injuries received when his motorcycle crashed into the rear of a wagon driven by J. C. Kirk, on the Troy-Montgomery highway, four miles north of Pine Level, shortly after 7:00 o'clock Saturday night.

As the motorcycle crashed into the wagon the gasoline tank burst and the machine ignited, pinning the officer beneath. His body was badly burned, his right leg broken in two places, skull fractured and critical internal injuries. Two motorists, H. D. Finlay of Montgomery and H. B. Fordham of this city, happened up on the scene shortly after the accident, and after extinguishing the flames, placed the injured man into an automobile of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ward of Guntersville and brought him to a hospital in this city.

Young left this city shortly after noon Saturday, enroute to Montgomery to have repairs made on his motorcycle and it was on his return trip here that the tragic accident occurred.

Mr. Young had been stationed in this city since the State launched the Highway Patrol system and made a number of friends here. Prior to that time he had lived in Fayette, Ala.

The deceased is survived by his widow, Mrs. Roberta Culpepper Young; a daughter, Milner Jane, 3; his parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Young, of Fayette, two sisters, two brothers and a number of other relatives.

MONTGOMERY, Sept. 7.—J. C. Kirk, Pine Level farmer, was at liberty under bond of $200 Monday on charges of second degree manslaughter growing out of the death late Saturday of Maury Young, state highway patrolman, who was fatally injured when his motorcycle crashed into Kirk's wagon on the Bee Line highway.

Young died in a Troy hospital a few hours after the accident and Kirk was arrested shortly afterwards and brought to the Montgomery County jail. The officer was reported to have been dragged from the burning wreck of his motorcycle by H. D. Finlay, school bus driver, and was taken to Troy in the automobile of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Ward, Guntersville, who were passing.

ELBA BOYS AND GIRLS ARE OFF TO COLLEGE

Elba will be well represented at the various higher institutions of learning this year, with a number of boys and girls returning and quite a number of others entering for their first year. Among those who have already gone or who will leave within a few days are:

At the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa: Robert Cooper, Robert Marsh, Dan Fred Prescott, Miss Emma Margaret Cooper, Jefferson Albert Carnley, Jr., Fleetwood Carnley, Harvey Waters, Joe Crook and Ben Mathis.

At the Alabama Polytechnic Institute, Auburn: Frank Dana Perdue, Boyd Murphree, Charles Lindsey, and Coleman Hamm.

At David Lipscomb College, Nashville: Miss Adele Dixon, Bill English and Ferrell Young.

At Alabama College, Montevallo: Miss Totsye Rhodes.

Joe Brooks and Hendrix Jeter have returned from a pleasant visit to relatives in Brewton.

Mr. F. H. Murphree made a business trip to Atlanta the latter part of last week.

Mrs. Annie King and Miss Anita King left Monday for Andalusia to resume their work in the Andalusia city schools.

Mr. W. E. Hayes of Ozark is visiting his son, Dr. C. P. Hayes, and Mrs. Hayes at their home on Davis Street.

LANDON CONTINUES LEAD IN STRAW - VOTE BALLOTS

By JOHN THOMAS WILSON

NEW YORK CITY, Sept. 9.—With a total of 360,302 votes tabulated at the close of the third week in the nation-wide Presidential poll, now being conducted by 3,000 daily and weekly newspapers, Landon continues to pull away from the field. Even though slight, this gain in lead is maintained in all three of the major break-downs on a percentage basis.

Herewith are the vote totals from 41 states, as cast for the six presidential candidates:

Total vote, all candidates, close of third week:

Landon—219,810; 61.0 per cent.
Roosevelt—117,284; 32.5 per ct.
Lemke—16,842; 4.7 per cent.
Thomas—3,097; 0.9 per cent.
Colvin—2,127; 0.3 per cent.
Browder—2,142; 0.6 per cent.
Totals—360,302; 100.0 per cent.

Total vote, three leading candidates, close of third week:

Landon—219,810; 62.1 per cent.
Roosevelt—117,284; 33.1 per ct.
Lemke—16,642; 4.8 per cent.
Totals—353,936; 100.0 per cent.

Total vote, Landon and Roosevelt, close of third week:

Landon—219,810; 65.2 per cent.
Roosevelt—117,284; 34.8 per ct.

In five of the 41 states from which ballots have been received, the returns are as yet so scattered that they are fairly meaningless. Those five states are Arkansas, Delaware, Idaho, Mississippi and Nevada.

How States Are Voting

In the remaining 36 of the 41 states, shown in the state by state tabulations, Landon is leading in 30 states and Roosevelt in six.

At the end of the second week in national state by state tabulation, Landon was leading 26 states to nine states for Roosevelt. In one state, Nebraska, the vote was tied.

This week's tabulations show Landon breaking the tie in Nebraska, to take the lead there, and also take the lead in Connecticut, Michigan, and Montana, for a gain of four states.

The 30 states in which Landon now has a majority of votes are: Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New Jersey, New York, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, South Dakota, Tennessee, Virginia, Vermont, Washington, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

The six states in which Roosevelt has a majority of votes are: Alabama, California, Florida, North Carolina, Texas and Utah.

The majority in votes for the respective candidates, in some states at this time, is exceedingly small. Also, in some states the returns are so scattered and as yet so few in number that no premise will permit basing serious predictions as to which candidate will actually and officially carry them in the November election.

The seven states from which no returns have yet been received are Arizona, Georgia, Louisiana, New Mexico, Rhode Island, South Carolina, and Wyoming.

Gain Recorded

As between Landon and Roosevelt, on percentage basis, last week compared to this week, the returns show the following slight gain for the Republican candidate:

Landon—Last week, 64.5 per cent; this week, 65.2 per cent; gain, .7 per cent.

Roosevelt—Last week, 35.5 per cent; this week, 34.8 per cent.

Ballots in increasing numbers continue to pour into national straw-vote headquarters here each week. These straw-vote headquarters are at the Publishers Autocaster Service offices, New York, which company produces a newspaper service for hundreds of the newspapers that are cooperating in this nation-wide poll. Other cooperating newspapers are those invited to join in the poll by The American Press, New York.

Have You Voted?

The Clipper is cooperating in this nation-wide poll, thus affording its readers the opportunity of showing their fellow voters in other states who we here in Alabama perfer for President during the next four years.

All legal voters are invited to clip the ballot, vote it as they wish, then mail or bring it to the office of The Clipper. The local vote is announced weekly. The ballots are then sent on to New York for national tabulation.

Voters are under no obligation to sign their names. The space on the ballot for the name of the town and state from which you expect to vote in November is placed there only to assist in an accurate national tabulation at straw-vote headquarters in New York.

If you haven't yet voted in this nation-wide presidential straw-vote, we suggest you do so at once. The Clipper straw-vote presidential ballot will be found on page three of this issue of this newspaper.

Turn now to page three. Clip and vote the ballot today for your favorite candidate.

Many Alabama farmers are planning to produce a large number of turnips this fall to supply greens and turnips for human consumption and turnips for livestock.

MISS ALICE BOYD, PROMINENT EDUCATOR, BELOVED ELBIAN, DIES FRIDAY IN MONTGOMERY

Miss Mary Alice Boyd, one of Elba's most highly esteemed citizens, and for the past thirteen years a member of the faculty of Alabama College, Montevallo, passed away Friday afternoon at a Montgomery hospital, where she had been a patient for a month.

Miss Boyd was a daughter of Mrs. Sallie Boyd, and the late Dr. W. P. Boyd. She was reared in Elba and had spent the greater portion of her life here, where she had countless friends who were very deeply grieved at her passing. Besides her mother she is survived by two sisters, Mrs. M. S. Carmichael of Montgomery and Mrs. F. J. Mizell of Samson; one brother, Ja P. Boyd, of Auburn and a number of nieces and nephews and other relatives.

Miss Boyd became ill a few weeks after the Alabama College summer session began. Giving up her duties she came to Montgomery to enter the hospital for treatment and remained there until her death. She was director of the elementary training school of the college and professor of education. She also was a member of the State Textbook Commission and for many years had been prominently connected with the educational interests of the State.

Prior to her engagement at Alabama College, Miss Boyd taught in the rural schools of this county, later going to Montgomery County to teach. At one time she was assistant supervisor of the schools of Montgomery County. She held degrees from Peabody College and Columbia University, and was a member of several honorary societies. She was a member of the Baptist Church.

Funeral services were held at the home on Davis Street Saturday afternoon at three-thirty. Rev. B. S. Franklin of Elba and Rev. F. B. Pearson of Montevallo were the officiating ministers. Interment was in Evergreen Cemetery.

Active pallbearers were Dr. C. P. Hayes, J. D. Smith, F. M. Harper, J. M. Garrett, W. T. Whitman, R. C. Bryan, Syd Kreider and Dr. M. L. Orr. Honorary: Dr. A. F. Harman, Dr. T. H. Napier, T. L. Head, Y. W. Rainer, W. W. Ham, W. M. Brunson, W. L. English, M. A. Owen, J. M. Rowe, J. C. Fleming, D. J. Brooks, Judge J. A. Carnley. Elba Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

About People and Things

By C. B. McDowell

GUN TOTING — The uniform firearms act, perhaps better known as the "pistol toting act," introduced at the last session of the Legislature by Senator Simpson of Birmingham, will go into full force and effect on October 1, 1936. Like the well-known Sullivan law in effect in New York State, the Alabama "pistol-toting law" was not designed for the raising of revenue, but for the purpose of suppressing crime and aiding in its detection and punishment. The fee for a license to carry a pistol, also the fee for the license that must be obtained by dealers who sell pistols, is only 50 cents. Probate judges, sheriffs and chiefs of police only can issue a license to carry a pistol.

After October 1st, no person will be permitted to carry a pistol in any vehicle or concealed on or about his or her person, except in his or her place of abode or fixed place of business, unless he or she has a license to do so. No person who has been convicted of a crime of violence will be permitted to own a pistol or have one in his or her possession. The law, however, does not apply to law enforcement officers, members of the Army, Navy or Marine Corps of the United States, or of the National Guard or Organized Reserves when on duty.

A license to carry a pistol must be applied for on an official form obtained for that purpose, and may be issued to any person if it appears that he has good reason to fear an injury to his person or property, or has other proper reason for carrying a pistol and is deemed a suitable person to be so licensed. Licenses will be for one year and must be issued in triplicate, the original being turned over to the licensee, the duplicate to be forwarded to the Secretary of State within seven days for permanent record, and the triplicate to be retained for six years by the issuing authority. No person will be permitted to deliver a pistol to any person under the age of 18 years, or to one who, he has reasonable cause to believe, has been convicted of a crime of violence, or is a drug addict, an habitual drunkard, or of unsound mind.

The dealer must keep a true record of every pistol sold in a book kept for that purpose, the form of which is prescribed by the Secretary of State, which shall be personally signed by the purchaser and the person making the sale, each in the presence of the other. This record shall show the date of sale, the caliber, make, model and manufacturers' number of the weapon, the name, address, occupation, color and place of birth of the purchaser and a statement signed by the purchaser that he has never been convicted of a crime of violence.

Under the new law, if any person shall commit or attempt to commit a crime of violence while armed with a pistol, he may, in addition to the punishment provided for the crime, be punished for violation of the uniform firearms law. It is provided also that in the trial of any person for committing or attempting to commit a crime of violence, the fact that he was armed with a pistol and had no license to carry one shall be prima facie evidence of his intention to commit the crime of violence charged. Violation of any of the provisions of the law is made punishable by a fine of not more than $500 or imprisonment for not more than one year, or both.

Promiscuous pistol-toting is entirely too prevalent and the Simpson law should reduce the practice materially. It is to be hoped that the law will be rigidly enforced.

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WISE STRATEGY—O. C. Smith, who is making a marked success of his farming operations on the J. J. Farris farm, near Evergreen Cemetery, recently demonstrated that he knows how to use his head for something other than a hatrack. Mr. Smith reports that he was having difficulty in getting pickers to keep pace with the rapidly opening bolls in his 47-acre cotton field. He noticed that a large part of his negro pickers had children who were taking little or no interest in cotton picking. Being a close student of human nature, he has learned that nothing will stir people to action like promising them a free feed, whether they be white or black. Accordingly, Mr. Smith announced that he would give a picnic the following Saturday, nobody to be eligible to participate who had not picked at least 25 pounds of cotton up till noon of that day. The scheme worked amazingly, for everybody on the place, even down to almost babies, went to work as though their lives depended on getting out that cotton. Mr. Smith says the promised picnic just about doubled his cotton-picking output, and everybody was happy, as the pickers received more money, they had a big time at the picnic, and he got his cotton picked.

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VICTORIA SERVICE—Members of the Elba Business Men's Evangelistic Club went to Victoria Sunday afternoon and conducted a program in the Baptist Church in the interest of the orphanages at Selma and Troy. As a result of

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JUDGE BRUNSON ATTENDING CONFERENCE IN WASHINGT'N

Judge W. M. Brunson left Sunday for Washington, D. C., where he went to attend a World Power Conference. Mr. Brunson is Peoples Public Service Attorney for the State of Alabama and is attending the conference as the legal representative of the State.

Every nation in the world has been invited to send representatives to this power conference, and we are informed that delegates from sixty-seven foreign countries have already registered and others are coming in every day. Mr. Brunson expected to spend about a week at the National Capital before returning to Alabama.

The article "Farmer Jones and His Cowpen" is written by Mr. Brunson, but he did not have time to prepare the article before his departure, hence it does not appear in this issue of The Clipper.

MR. JOHNSON PASSES AFTER LONG ILLNESS

Mr. J. M. Johnson, well known citizen residing about two miles below Elba at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Gaines, passed away last Friday after an illness of three months. He was suffering from a heart ailment.

Mr. Johnson was nearing his 81st birthday, having been born on October 4, 1885. Surviving are his wife, Mrs. Telitha Johnson, two sons, Wallace and Ben Johnson, both of Montgomery; two daughters, Mrs. Sarah Gaines, Elba, and Mrs. Rodie Mae Ganous, of Tallassee; one brother and one sister who live in Texas and a number of other relatives also survive.

Funeral services were held at Bethel Church near Opp Sunday, with Rev. O. C. Hickman officiating. Burial was in the church cemetery. Pallbearers were A. A. Smith, Jesse Smith, Henry Holland, Bud Simmons, Pate Boutwell, Barney Lashley. Elba Funeral Home had charge of arrangements.

STUDY CLUB DELIGHTFULLY ENTERTAINED—

The Elba Study Club was delightfully entertained for its opening meeting on Thursday afternoon, September 3rd, at three o'clock, when Mrs. J. M. Rowe and Miss Zadie Rowe served as joint hostesses at their home on Buford Street.

The rooms used in entertaining were thrown together and attractively decorated in a profusion of marigolds and yellow peas to carry out a color scheme of yellow and white.

Mrs. J. M. Rowe, the president, called the meeting to order and presided over the business session. Roll call and minutes were read by the secretary, Mrs. R. L. Cooper. On the resignation from the office of treasurer of Mrs. Frank Rainer, who will in the future make her home in Montgomery, Miss Mabel Brunson was elected to fill that office.

Reports were made by the following chairmen of committees:

Mrs. H. Jeter—Special Project.
Mrs. J. F. Brunson—Library.
Mrs. W. C. Braswell—Membership.
Mrs. J. F. Brunson—Program.

At the conclusion of her report, Mrs. Brunson presented the attractive year-books. Special mention was made of the unique handblocked cover designed by Bill English.

One of the main aims of the club this year is to forward the library movement started last year.

Mrs. Boling Hall, Community Worker with the Public Welfare Department, was a guest of the club and made an interesting talk on her recreational program and welfare work in the county.

The subject for the afternoon's study was "Alabama To Florida." Mrs. W. H. Coston was leader and announced the following numbers:

Poem by Samuel Minturn Peck. Alabama's Poet Laureate—Mrs. L. S. Rainer.

Historic Mobile—Mrs. D. B. Perdue.

Loitering Down To St. Augustine—Mrs. J. M. Garrett.

At the conclusion of the program, a social hour was enjoyed, when Mrs. Rowe, assisted by Mrs. W. H. Coston and Mrs. J. M. Garrett, served delicious refreshments of ice cream, cakes and salted nuts.

On Friday, September 11, the State Board of Agriculture will pass rules and regulations designed to prevent livestock stealing in Alabama. They will become effective October 1 this year.

Judge and Mrs. R. H. Jones of Andalusia and Mr. Morgan Jones of Miami, Fla., visited Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Marley and other relatives in Elba the first of tre week.

Mrs. Ross Clark spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Folsom in Gadsden.

Mrs. Royce Taylor of Orlando, Fla., is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Young, at Curtis. She will return to Florida the latter of the week.

Mrs. S. N. Rowe, Miss Zadie Rowe and Mr. Charles L. Rowe spent several days last week with Dr. and Mrs. J. F. Rowe in Mobile.

County's High Schools To Open Next Monday; Rural Schools Begin Sept. 28th

County Superintendent A. C. Dunaway, who was recently elected to that office on account of the resignation of Superintendent W. A. Eidson, announces that all details have been worked out for the opening of the county's four accredited high schools on next Monday, September 14. These high schools are located at Enterprise, New Brockton, Elba and Kinston.

One new bus has been added this year to serve pupils attending the high school at Elba. This bus will leave Elba early in the morning going to Booth's store on the Brantley highway, thence to Pine Level and Curtis, returning to Elba via the old Opp-Elba road, commonly called the lower Opp road. This new route will enable high school students living in the western part of the county to reach the high school here. Heretofore, they have not had the opportunity of this bus service. It is also announced that buses serving the Pine Level and Curtis schools will make connection with this high school bus, when the rural schools open on September 28.

Superintendent Dunaway also announces that all pupils who attended the Junior High Schools last year and failed to get promotion on account of the closing of these schools before a normal term had been completed, will have an opportunity to take tests for entrance into the high schools. This arrangement was worked out recently with all high school principals participating. The plan is for all junior high school pupils to enroll and within two or three weeks they will be required to take an examination; if they pass these tests they will be given the privilege of continuing in the high schools.

Rural Schools To Open September 28

The rural schools of the county will open on Monday, September 28, as has previously been announced. The institute for teachers will be held in Elba Saturday, September 26.

Two new buses have been added this year to serve the new consolidated school at Damascus. All buses in operation last year will be continued for the new year. There are still a few vacancies in the teaching force of the rural schools, but Mr. Dunaway hopes to have these filled before the opening date. Below we are giving a list of the rural schools, with the names of the teachers:

Antioch—To be supplied.
Arwood—Frank Harper.
Brunson—To be supplied.
Cool Springs—Alice Jones.
Dyess—To be supplied.
Ham—Annie L. Vaughan.
Mt. Vernon—Okie Harris.
Keyton—W. A. Edwards.
Perdue—Aubrey Parker.
Pike County Line — Robbie L. Grimmer.
Pine Grove—Nellie Barker.
Rosin Ridge—Ora L. Kelley.
Tabernacle—Carolyn Cotter.
Vanderbilt—To be supplied.
Asbury—Mrs. George Broom, Idelle Boyette.
Bethany—J. D. Willis, Mrs. J. D. Willis.
Bluff Springs — Shirley Carpenter, Mary K. Haire.
Brooklyn—E. W. Ellis, Nell G. Clark.
Camp Ground—Ruth A. Tomberlin, Mary G. Warren.
Chestnut Grove — Lala Pearl Clowers.
Clintonville—Gussie M. Marsh, Mary E. Metcalf.
Cross Roads—Ione Blanton, Marjorie Sawyer.
Dale County Line—Helen Rowe.
Eanon—Pearl H. Turner, Pauline H. Boswell.
Evergreen—Clem Carpenter, Mary O. Seay.
Farmers Academy—Curtis Byrd and Mary M. Folsom.
Lee—Mae L. Bryan and Dixie L. Deal.
Macedonia—Fleta Foreline, Verna Walls.
Newbia — Eva Prescott, Mary Pearl Adams.
Pleasant Ridge—Mrs. Arch McKinnon, Phillip McKinnon.
Reeves — Pearl Barker, Pauline Traweek.
Roeton—Louise Chambers, Mrs. Perry Owen.
Victoria—C. G. Nelson, Haughtie Boutwell.
Weeks—Famie R. Beckham, Mildred Bowdoin.
Wise Mill—Mae Morris, Lillian Morris.
Zion Chapel—Irene Moore, Onie Mae Moore.
Zoar — Joseph Roberts, Willie Blue.
Double Heads—Wayne T. Brown, Bertrice Manning, Ruth B. Moore.
Ino—Arvie D. Fuller, Mrs. Nichols, Lucille B. Dennis.
Rhoades—J. W. Maddox, Susie B. Maddox, Clyde Whitman.
Basin—E. C. Griffin, Myrtis Meacham, Donie C. Moody, Cleone Parker.
Goodman — Harvey Locklar, Georgia McCall, Maggie Whigham, Louise W. Carmichael.
New Hope—J. C. Manuel, Sara Snellgrove, Mrs. S. L. Pierson, Eutoka Johnson, Madie Ree Seay.
Fairview — Royce Snellgrove, Myra W. Snellgrove, Carrie Russ, Gladys Bowdoin, Mary Alice Jones, Jessie Lee, Eunice Finlayson.
Curtis—Foye T. Walden, Woodrow Pierce, Miriam Russell, Mary S. Crawley, Beulah Knight, Lucille Campbell, Ruby G. Rainey, Hazel G. Lee, Lena Grimes.
Pine Level—D. B. Nelson, Ola B. Kendrick, Cammie B. Johnson, Hilda Swain, Catherine Bryan, Voncille Nelson, Claudie L. Bryan.
Mt. Pleasant—H. T. Mills, Carol Peacock, Mae M. Weeks, Sallie B. Russell, Lillian Rowe, Mary Willie Jones, Mollie Lee Cook, Beatrice Bedsole, Frances Hutchison, Mrs. Carol Peacock, Mrs. H. T. Mills, Una C. Andrews.
Damascus Consolidated—W. A. Eidson, Ned Young, Lennie Walls, Jessie W. Hix, Margaret Walls, Julia Howell, Ruth C. Pope, Louise Tucker.

NEW BROCKTON SCHOOLS WILL OPEN NEXT MONDAY

The New Brockton schools, both elementary and high schools, will open at 8:00 a.m. September 14, according to announcement made by the principal, Prof. Olen D. Roberson. At that time regular work will begin and continue through the day on a full-time schedule with the exception of the assembly period at 9:30, at which time all patrons and friends of the school are especially urged to meet with the faculty and pupils for the opening of the year's work.

There will be an incidental fee of $2 per semester for high school students, and Professor Roberson urges parents to try to pay this within the first week, as it will expedite the business of the school quite a bit.

Mr. W. L. McArthur will be the principal speaker at the opening exercises, after which County Superintendent A. C. Dunaway will make his announcements.

The faculty for the year is: Olen D. Roberson, principal; B. A. Johnson, Vocation Agriculture; Johnson, Vocational Agriculture; Home Economics; Eloise Sawyer, Social Sciences; Mrs. Lucille B. Jones, Junior High subjects; Mrs. Elizabeth M. Brabham, English; Leacy Newell, Resettlement Home Economics; J. H. Kitchens, Resettlement Vocational Agriculture; Robert C. Shelburne, Science; Dorothy McGee, Piano and Voice; Alba Folsom, Sixth Grade; Mrs. Olive Eidson, Fifth Grade; Lucy Gunter, Fourth Grade; Estelle Sawyer, Third Grade; Mrs. Merle E. Hayes, Second Grade; Mattie Folsom, First Grade.

Mr. and Mrs. Lander Cureton of Wetumpka visited relatives here during the week-end.

Mrs. John Chancey and children of Enterprise spent Tuesday in Elba with Mrs. E. D. Rowe.

Mr. B. R. Cole of Atlanta, Ga., spent the week-end in Elba. Mrs. Cole and son, Harold who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamm, returned home with him Monday.

Miss Lallie Harper of Dothan attended the funeral of Miss Alice Boyd last Saturday.

Misses Mildred and Rebecca Lee and Jack Lee, Jr., of Opelika, were visitors to Elba last week, guests of friends and relatives.

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